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12 DISCIPLES ORDAINED

BY JOHN SHARON

The Sole Spiritual Head of the Universe, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu has ordained His twelve disciples for the year, 1999.

The twelve disciples drawn from the 144,000 Virgins Body are expected to fulfill the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ by teaching and uniting the entire world with the word of God.

The ordination ceremony which is usually performed every April Pentecostal Assembly by the Holy Father at the BCS World Headquarters re-enacts of Christ's examples of humility to His disciples when He washed their feet after the last supper. John 13:1-15.

The twelve disciples are, Brothers Emeka Ifediatu, Shedrack Uwajuonye, Felix

Igbarese, Emmanuel James, Innocent Omini, Unoh Kanu, Samuel Sylvester, Victor Asuquo, Emmanuel Christopher, Abdul Mamman, Enim-Ini Idongesit and Joseph Aba.

The Holy Father charged them to view their calling as an election of grace and consider the lesson of Christ washing His disciples feet as the highest point of humility and selfless-service which they are expected to emulate.

He also enjoined them to redirect their rich spiritual endowments to convert souls to the Father and better the lives of the less-privileged ones.

He warned them against materialism, greed and avarice and all other vices.

Thank You Father

BY RACHEL MILLER

Recently, the Holy Queen-Mother embarked on a working tour of the United States of America. This visit although scheduled outside her usual annual States visit had the pomp of a State visit and which memory shall remain evergreen in the annals of U.S.A.

Before she arrived at Newark Airport, brethren from Atlanta, New York, and New Jersey were already there waiting to give her a befitting welcome. She was taken on a tour of the different Bethels by His Lordship, Bishop Orlando Obu, the Leader's Representative for U. S. A., Canada, and the Caribbeans and other USA. brethren.

Her first destination was the New Jersey Bethel, the headquarters of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in U.S.A. From there, it was the Washington DC Bethel

U.S BRETHREN WELCOME HOLY QUEEN MOTHER

where Her Holiness was treated to colourful reception and here Brotherhood members from every Bethel in the eastern region attended to catch a glimpse of the Holy Queen Mother.



Her Holiness Queen I. O. Obu

A divine service was also held in her honour. The service was conducted by His Lordship, Bishop Orlando Obu. The service was dominated by spiritual choruses and provided a joyous time for the Brotherhood members in America. It was indeed an opportunity to interact and strengthen the bond of love between brethren.

During the reception proper, brethren really had the opportunity to pour their encomiums on the Queen Mother as many speech and His Lordship gave brethren, some insight into Her Holiness profile and the blessings which attended her visit.

The Holy Queen Mother's speech was one of reminding all Brotherhood members in America and all over the world of the need to go out into the world educating the people about the New Kingdom of God on earth.

This occasion witnessed many other wonderful performances such as powerful renditions, cutting of cake by Her Holiness, dancing, outing and love feast celebration.

The Holy Queen Mother also visited Oakland Bethel in Los Angeles where all brethren of the West Coast Bethels could come out to receive her and be blessed. Her last stop was Atlanta Bethel, where all the Bethels in the Southern region could also partake in her blessings.

Thank You Father

OUTREACH FOR PEACE PLANS PEACE CONFERENCE

BY ETEKPI KANU WITH EYIBIO ANTIA

The Universal Outreach for World Peace in collaboration with the International Age of Character Clubs of USA has concluded plans for a Peace Conference to discuss measures of ensuring a lasting peace, unity and stability of Nigeria.

Scheduled to hold at Abuja on May 20th, this year, the conference which has its theme: PANACEA FOR PEACE IN NIGERIA will be chaired by Chief (Dr) Melford Okilo (CFR).

Briefing the TRUMPET, the International Coordinator of the Outreach, Snr. Christ Servant Princewill Rockwell said eminent persons who have considerable concern

for peace will present papers at the Conference, adding that a document



Leader O.O.Obu Patron of the Outreach

titled; "Panacea for World Peace" authored by him would also be presented.

Christ Servant Princewill said that an award, Known as "Man of Peace Award" shall be conferred on the Head of State, Gen. Abdusalami Abubakar in

recognition of the peaceful way he has been managing the affairs of Nigeria since he took over.

The Outreach, according to Snr. Christ Servant Princewill, was formed by the Sole Spiritual Head, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu and saddled with the responsibility of working for the attainment of sustainable peace on earth, because the human society has deteriorated to a stage where human wisdom cannot reform it.

Specifically the Outreach has been carrying out its activities through conferences, symposium, seminars etc., the last one having been held on November 27, last year at the National Centre for Women Development, Abuja.

Thank You All

On the 17th April 1999, the New Kingdom Trumpet celebrated her 5th Anniversary. Eventhough the celebration was low-keyed, the Board, Management and Staff of the New Kingdom Trumpet remain eternally grateful to our Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu for seeing us through these number of years.

Our heartfelt thanks go to our Chief Executive Officer, His Holiness Olumba Olumba Obu, our beloved Executive Director, Her Holiness Queen I. O. Obu for all their concern. To our Board Chairman and the other Directors, we remain grateful. We thank the members of Trumpet Readers Family, and the other brethren who came to grace the occasion.

In the words of His Holiness, we appreciate the efforts of all brethren who had made Trumpet business their business for the past five years. May our Holy Father richly bless you.

Thank You Father.

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THE NEW WORLD RULER ENTHRONED

BY TOM MOSES WITH EYIBIO ANTIA

He Is Leader Olumba Olumba Obu

It is by now crystal clear that all world events take their bearing in the spiritual realm before their physical manifestation. Armed with this spiritual truth, it was therefore not surprising when, on March 16, 1999, at the World Headquarters of the BCS, the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu disclosed that "all celestial forces, angels and spirits on earth and beneath, oceans and in all planes of manifest have reached a consensus that, He should rule over all the creations in the universe." His enthronement, the Holy Father stressed was not unconnected with His transparent honesty, purity heart, enduring love,



Leader Olumba Olumba Obu
The New World Ruler

confounding wisdom and possession of all other divine qualities.

The Holy Father further disclosed that, this divine

enthronement will soon be revealed to the entire world. He used the forum to warn against the imputation of sin on others but advocated that

man should love one another as a prelude to achieving the oneness of all the creations of God.

Leader Obu observed that the use of different monetary denominations by the various countries of the world will continue to undermine the unity of mankind and therefore spoke in favour of the use of one universal currency.

It would be recalled that for the past seven decades and more years, Leader Obu has not only taught mankind the ways of God but has for these number of years lived and demonstrated His divine powers as the Supreme Spirit of love and King of Righteousness.

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OBI OF ONITSHA RECEIVES REDEMPTION MESSAGE

BY TOM MOSES

The fact that the Holy Spirit is on earth among men and, that Leader Olumba Olumba Obu is the one is no longer news to many as various revelations and testimonies have confirmed these facts.

On Monday April 26, 1999, Brother Clement Nwiye, a Nigerian resident in Atlanta, U. S. A. embarked on a ministry to Onitsha, Anambra State of Nigeria to deliver a divine message revealed to him in far away Atlanta in USA. by the Holy Father, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu, to the Obi of Onitsha, HRH Obi Ofala Okagbue II.

Like Jonah of old, Brother Clement Nwiye confessed that he felt unqualified to embark on that mission, more

especially, when there are many brethren in Nigeria that the Father could apportion that responsibility. But since Jonah had no escape route, Brother Nwiye had none, and had to



HRH Obi Ofala Okagbue II
Obi of Onitsha

leave USA. for Nigeria to deliver that redemptive message to the Obi of Onitsha.

On arriving the palace of the Obi and after introducing himself and others in the ministry, Brother Nwiye told the Obi that His Father who is the Holy Spirit of Truth was calling him to quickly seek His face and His Kingdom, that He had since manifested on earth to gather all His children together. For a detailed guide to this message, he presented some Brotherhood of the Cross and Star publications to the Royal Father.

Brother Nwiye averred that wherever children of God are, God will definitely deliver them as was the case with him. He recalled how he encountered the Holy Spirit in a dream

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UNIFICATION OF CHURCHES BEGINS KWARA BCS LEADS

BY EYIBIO ANTIA

In a move that signals, the fulfilment of the Father's pronouncement on the unification of all churches, the world over, the "white garment churches" in Kainji - New Bussa, Niger State have set the ball rolling.

The move which came as a divine surprise to children of the New Kingdom was initiated by Cherubim and Seraphim who resolved to host the

unification service in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star Bethel, Kainji - New Bussa.

Trumpet learnt that the unity posture was adopted because of the need for the promotion of common and mutual co-operation, peace and love among the "white garment churches" in the Area, as well as help one another to have true knowledge of the God Almighty.

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KWARA ELDERS CHANGE EXECUTIVES, GIVE AWARDS

BY EYIBIO ANTIA

The Executives of Kwara State Elder's Fellowship was recently changed to make for effective and responsive administration in the State. Briefing our Reporter, the State Elders Chairman Elder Onyeoka Azubuike thanked the Father for using His children to ensure the actualisation of the Kingdom of God on earth.

The Chairman berated some elders who continuously invented excuses to justify their inconsistent appearances at various meetings of the fellowship. He challenged committed elders to fight the good fight and ignore the ignoble acts of those whose stock in trade was to criticize and defame the character of true elders. He asked, "If our Holy Father has been seriously criticized and defamed by the same man He created, who then is man to escape more criticism and defamation from his kind."

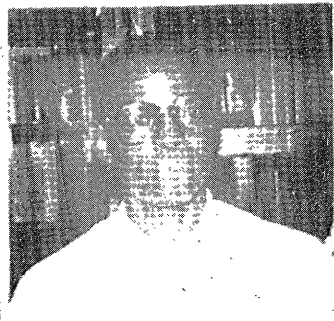
He thanked the Father for the spirit of co-operation among the members and the few projects so far

executed and prayed Him to give them the wherewithal to embark on the printing of Brotherhood Tracts and Pamphlets for distribution in Kwara and the nearby states.

Commenting further, the Chairman extolled the Father in the 144,000 brethren in the pew, Sister Ellen Michael and Brother David Iroabuchi who he said were models of what true Brotherhood should be. He prayed the Father to uphold them to keep the tempo of activities in the state at an all high level. He also stated that names of some brethren were sent to the World Headquarters for confirmation as elders and prayed the Holy Father to oblige.

In an election conducted by Sister Ellen Michael of the 144,000 pew, the following brethren were elected. Brothers Onyeaka Azubuike-Chairman, Edwin Akabueze-Vice Chairman, Vincent Ebeh - 1st Co-Chairman, Emmanuel Agunshakin - 2nd Co-Chairman, Michael Umanah-General Secretary.

Also elected were Brothers Leonard Anaebo-Asst Welfare Officer, Kenneth Chukundeh-PRO. Emmanuel Oforodu - 1st



Elder I. E. Essien

L/R Kwara State

Provost, Godwin Etefia-2nd Provost.

To complete the Executives, the following officers were elected. They are Sister Uloma Nwagbara the Secretary, Florence Omolu, Financial Secretary, Yellow

Banksm. Treasurer. Grace Adeoye, Welfare Officer while Sisters Grace Ogunshakin and Anthonia Ekechi were elected Mother and 2nd Mother respectively.

After the elections came the Award ceremony. The award which is a cue taken from the defunct J. E. Etim led Elder's International Executive, in the words of the Chairman "has brought competition and encouragement among the elders and others in the state at all levels. "Frankly, the elders have taken Brotherhood activities more seriously than ever and brethren from other pews are struggling to be nominated as Elders unlike what was obtainable before." The

Award which is sponsored by the State Leader's Representative Elder I. E. Essien and Brother Onyeoka Azubinke, the State Elder's Chairman saw four winner's in 1998. The first prize award went to Sister Yellow Blankson, Sister Florence Omolu bagged the 2nd prize award, Sister Grace Adeoye went home with the third prize award while Sister Eunice Adeniyi Smiled away with the fourth prize. It was an all Sister Award Night.

The occasion was marked with songs presented by the Central Bethel Choir, Vincent Ebeh was the Chairman. while the State Leader's Representative Elder I. E. Essien was the Guest of Honour. Other brethren graced the occasion.

Thank You Father.

Unification of Churches Begins.

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In a brief sermon at the unity service, Senior Apostle/Prophet E. T. Fakanbi drawing his texts from Matthew 8 : 1 - 13 thanked the Father for the event and said, "what we

witness today, the unification of churches has gone beyond our imaginations and could only be achieved by God Almighty."

He called on members to purify themselves, have love for one another and have abundant faith in God. He prayed the Father to give them life to witness the

The Father further educated them that "the white garment is only for those who have suffered great tribulations and have come out of it to rule with God in His Kingdom." "You" should count yourselves worthy because it is not the making of man that you should be wearing the white garment today. It has been ordained by the Father before the creation of the world he added."

He reminded the members that "the unification experience was already accomplished by the Father of all spirits, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu and that only the physical manifestation remained and if you are used in bringing about the physical manifestation count yourself worthy."

It was also gathered that in the midst of the joy and peace that was experienced during the unification service, brethren were perplexed that those churches that fought tooth and nail to see to the collapse of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star were the same people initiating the unification crusade. The answer to this worry was

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IMO SISTERS PAY HOMAGE TO

THE TRINITY

The sisters in Imo State led by their president, Deaconess Adlene Ewurum recently paid homage to the Trinity in Calabar.

Speaking in unison, the Sisters thanked the Father for the first love feast in Igbo land held at the Grasshopper Stadium - Owerri in 1996. According to the Sisters, the feast which was timely had exposed the nefarious activities of persons and group of persons in the state, prominent among them being the Otokoto crisis.

They further thanked the Father for using the sisters to expose the blood-suckers and those whose churches and businesses thrive on human blood. The sisters were in high spirit as they opined that, the Holy Father had used the occasion to vindicate Brotherhood of the Cross and Star as the

New Kingdom of God on earth.

They testified that, despite the fact that the Otokoto House, supermarkets and some

Deaconess Adlene Ewurum
Imo State Women
Fellowship President

churches in the same vicinity were vandalized, Brotherhood of the Cross and Star was not tampered with.

The State Leader's Representative, Elder (Sis), Florence Okafor thanked the Father for the new lease

of life infused in Imo State Brotherhood. She prayed the Father to endow them with the Holy Spirit so that all eyes will behold them as the true children of God.

In his remarks, Senior Christ Servant D. S. Nwachukwu thanked the Father for giving a Sister the leadership mantle in Imo State. He pointed out that since the handing over of power to the woman, there has been tremendous progress in Imo State as all sisters have become vessels of development.

The sisters also visited His Holiness, Olumba Olumba Obu, the King of kings and Her Holiness Ibum O. Obu for their blessings. The Holy Father blessed them and wished them a fruitful time in practising the teachings of the Holy Spirit.

Thank You Father.



Leader O.O. Obu
Author of World Unity

unification of all religions at the end.

In his words of advice, Bro Sunny Akpan, the Choirmaster General in the 144,000 pew who represented His Holiness, King Olumba Olumba Obu with texts from Rev. 3 : 4 and 8 : 13 - 15 made it abundantly clear that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is not a "white garment church" but the New Kingdom of God on earth."

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No Room for Misers

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If Abraham had not obeyed God and accepted to sacrifice his only son unto Him, would he have received such blessings? Your problem in Brotherhood is disobedience. Did Apostle Effiong Orok not give a vision here that the government will never find peace until they pay their tithe? Have the government paid her tithe? Have churches done same? You are not paying this tithe to man, but unto God, the maker of heaven and earth and everything therein. How can you pay your electric bill to the ministry of Agriculture? Is that where it should be paid? You have to pay your tithe directly to God; not through any prophet, pastor.

Faith without work is death. If you do not pay your tithe, it shows that you do not believe in God. The benefit that awaits those who believe in God is unknown to all of you. But those who put their trust in God, be they in London, America, Japan, any part of the world, they pay their tithes regularly. It is not a matter of saying, Oh Father, this is the little I have, please, permit me to use it now, I will pay the rest next month. God's tithe must be paid completely and paid regularly. One tenth of that which He has given to you, that is what you owe Him. Do you realise that?

Refer to 2nd Corinthians 9: 6 - 20
ONLY GOD RECEIVES TITHE

According to the scripture, the Gentiles were debtors but in your case, you are enjoying everything

free. Now, are you not the Gentiles who the Bible is talking about? You could be given a vision to pay tithe to Okon, Asuquo or John. Who is this John? Of what use is John in paying of tithe? Is there anyone in this world worthy of receiving tithe except God? When you pay this tithe to God, you observe that the spirit has connected you to God. In that case, wherever you find yourself, you have no problems, your entire family is well protected by God, and you have peace and rest of mind.

Is it not God that is doing His work in the entire world? If the Holy Spirit had not come, the entire world would have perished. I have not advised anyone to come to Brotherhood, stay in your various denominations but pay your tithe directly to God. Retain your governmental positions, but pay your tithes to God. Stay in your villages, but pay your tithe to God and you will be blessed enormously.

Refer to Luke 17: 3 - 10.

You aspire to be a Pastor, Christ's Student, Senior Elder, etc. but have you tried to practise any injunction of God? None is ready to practice God's words but everyone is proud about his or her position. This was the same pride exhibited by the Apostles.

A stroke of the cane is sufficient to the wise. May my peace and blessing abide with the entire world; now and forever more, Amen

Thank You Father.

Outreach for Peace Plans Peace Conference

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In pursuance of its objectives, the outreach has made contacts with the Presidency, the Peace and Crisis Resolution Centre of the National War College, the National Orientation Agency (NOA), Movement for the Advancement of peace and unity (MENAPEACE) and a host of others.

At the international level, the Outreach has been sending its briefs for the attainment of World peace in the Internet in US, UK - and other European countries. It even plans to take its case to the United Nations, Christ Servant Princewill told TRUMPET.

Giving reasons for the continued crisis and upheavals in the country, Christ Servant Princewill said it is due to the

non-recognition of the presence on earth of the Holy Spirit. He said it is in recognition of this that the conference became imperative to bring about the enthronement of sustainable peace, unity and stability in Nigeria.

He called on the government and people of Nigeria to wake up from



Sr. XI. Servant Princewill

their slumber and embrace the leadership examples and spiritual prowess of Leader O. O. Obu, assuring

that if that is done, Nigeria will become a great nation and the center of the world.

Christ Servant Princewill therefore, called on the Head of State, Gen. Abdusalami Abubakar, the President - elect, Gen. Olusegun Obasanjo, all former Presidents of Nigeria, religious leaders and Islamic scholars, traditional rulers, elites and the masses to attend the peace conference.

The outreach which operates from the World Headquarters of BCS, 34 Ambo Street, Calabar has Leader O. O. Obu as Grand Patron.

Thank You Father

the following morning and that all was well. They left, surprised at the powers of the "ATAM MAN"

The Holy Father did not come to see us until the following morning at 9 o'clock. On seeing her, He said, "from now henceforth, you will not experience such stomach ache again". After three days, I went with my wife to Eton Street in the company of our child who was two years and six months old without walking. We had sacrifice everything to ensure that she walked but to no avail. But immediately we got there

Gospel:

Our Source of Inspiration

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GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 13: 34 - 35

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

LOVE IS THE WATCHWORD

Brethren, have you heard what is read out to you? As our Lord Jesus Christ loves all of us, we are also expected to love other people, so that anybody who sees us will know that we are children of the New Kingdom, that we are his disciples and we are with him. This is why our gospel here hinges on love and there is no other person that will tell you to love one another except our Lord Jesus Christ who loved you first. So, I want you to realise that, this love has nothing to do with all the sinful lives people have been living, it has to do with forsaking sins completely and abiding by the prompting of the new commandments of God which brings life eternal.

You have heard that if you do not listen, hear and practice the

Unification of Churches

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that, with the Father, all things are possible.

Those who attended the unification service were Apostle S. O. Oseji of the Eternal Sacred Order, New-Bussa, Superintendent/ Apostle M. A. Tijani of Cherubim and Seraphim, Ifelodun, Senior Evangelist J. O. Ibitayo of the Celestial Church, Evangelist/Prophet S. A. Adegoke of C & A, Ona Iwa Mimo, New Bussa, Senior Apostle E. Adedokun of C & S Movement New Bussa.

Elder (Sis) Eunice Adeniyi - Chairperson TRF

BCS Yesterday

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the Father told us that God wanted to reveal Himself to me and just as we were talking, this child jumped down from the mother's lap and started walking. The woman said Papa, forever and ever do not leave me as I will never leave you." The two miracles happened within the same period."

Thank You Father.

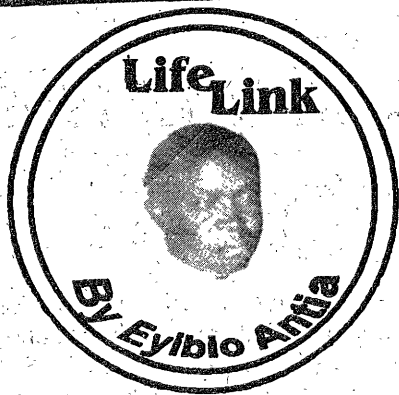
promptings of the Holy Spirit, your sins in this generation and in the one to come, will not be forgiven. No matter what you do, no matter the level of your generosity, if you do not love every other person equally, as instructed by the Holy Spirit, all you are doing is null and void.

I want you to realise that love is the cardinal teaching that must be vigorously pursued obtained and practised by all of us across the board, even as one of our spiritual chorus says "a new commandment, I have brought, abide in love with one another and avoid strife and anger." The second which is rendered in English says: "The covenant of Moses has gone, love has come as the New Covenant," I am bringing all these examples to show you the importance of love and how you are expected to express it to everybody because it is that which our Lord Jesus Christ taught. Let everybody, therefore, embrace it and express it freely.

I do not want to be tedious unto you. he that has ears let him hear. May God bless His holy words. Amen.

Thank You Father.

For all you want to know about BCS and its Leadership, make Trumpet your companion.



"There is only one greater folly than that of the fool who says in his heart there is no God, and that is the folly of the people that say with its head that it does not know whether there is a God or not."

Otto Von Bismark.

1977 is a year that will never be forgotten easily in the history of Nigeria. 1999 is another year that has created tremendous impact in the psyche of almost all Nigerians. The years, 1997 and 1999 affect Nigeria in special ways. 1977 is an odd number. 1999 is also one.

In 1977, Nigeria, basking in the euphoria of illusory wealth invited the world and their different "gods" to a feast. The feast was celebrated under the satanic guise of FESTAC. While living in this state of riotous profusion, we collectively bid bye bye not only to our seared conscience but also to God, our Creator. We embraced the false gods that came with the various macabre dances of FESTAC.

1977, GOD AND 1999

What happened? God felt amused and abused. He remembered that we had unjustifiably identified with His rival, the Devil. Left with no option, He had to turn His back against us. What followed? The buoyant economy went under. Most Nigerians started eating from the dust bins as the scourge of famine hit the land. Money that was readily available became scarce. The oil boom nose-dived to oil doom. Corruption in all ramifications visited the land that once flowed with milk and honey. "The spiritual and physical wall of our country that was erect and imposing" most lamentably collapsed. Nobody, till date, can explain how much Nigeria spent on this ostentatious exercise for self lucre. Like the Israelites, God abandoned us in the wilderness. And on the wilderness we had remained. None thought of reconciling us with our offended God. Twenty two years after, entered another odd year, 1999. Before 1999, we struggled to see if we could atone for the sins of 1977. The sins were not easily atoned for. At the peak of the atonement trail and when God had almost cleansed the land, NIGERIA '99 came up. This time, Nigeria hosted the world to a feast of

football. And football by the present world reckoning is no more a game and an art but has been elevated to the level of a major God in the land.

It is not that football as a game is bad but there is an uncontrolled love and lust for it by man. Man's love for football surpasses his love for God. And his love for it is infectious. That is why Nigeria had to forget about her poor economic standing and political instability before the comity of nations and lobbied to host it. Nigeria had to update her stadia, created artificial measures to deceive the public and displayed false love for humanity. We painted the houses nearer the various stadia.

We combed our streets and banished mad people from our major streets, we made the visitors to believe that ours is a very clean and perfect country outwardly whereas our internal rut continue to stink. Acts reminiscent of the "whited sepulchre" and utmost and wanton gratification of our outward senses.

In all these pretense, we tried to convince the world, we are okay. We spent about N105B (One hundred and five billion Naira) under three weeks while most Nigerians cannot eat once a day. A majority do not have wherewithal to lay their heads.

Nigeria refused to learn from the lessons of Festac '77. That at the end of that sordid affairs, we found ourselves becoming grand parents of illegitimate and unplanned children. Diseases of various kinds were left behind at the end of FESTAC. We had a period of calamitous, and weird experiences in our history. But at the end of the day, what did we gain and what do we gain now? NIGERIA '99 is come and gone. The impact of it will be felt hereafter. But the most prominent of it will be the trauma of AIDS that had followed the indiscriminately used pounds, dollars and other foreign currencies. The morally loose stand of the populace at this period will have to be accounted for before the throne of God. And unless Nigeria prays for forgiveness and in time, there is a possibility that the wilderness of calamity awaits her. And this is because the event of 1977 did not recognize the presence of God in our midst while the event of 1999 has treated Him with equal levity. When will Nigeria learn her lessons. This is indeed bad for our "Lifeline" with Him is again severed?

Thank You Father.

1956 AGAIN. DEAD WIFE RAISED, CRIPPLED CHILD WALK

BROTHERHOOD YESTERDAY

Snr. Pastor Peter Henshaw
with
Eyibio Antia

Most brethren who have not had any direct physical or spiritual interaction with our Holy Father will grin with either delight or envy at this. Do you know that there was a time the Holy Father used to visit the houses of members? Do you also know that He used to visit their houses and avail them of His miraculous healing powers just as our Lord Christ did in His first advent? Read one of such experiences.

"Because of my inadequate knowledge of the Father, I thought I had qualified as His friend following our exchange of visits. During such visits, we used to be suspicious of His powers. I was in the forefront of this. It was not quite two weeks after declaring to follow the Father when my present wife died as a result of serious belly ache. I was startled especially as I had no previous knowledge that she used to suffer from this sickness. At this time, because of the Father's humble outlook coupled with the news of His

absolute powers over all events, people generally misconstrued Him for a juju man. They felt that I had collaborated with the "ATAM MAN" sacrifice my wife for money-making. Her family resolved to deal with me and the strange "ATAM MAN" as He was known then.

The first thought that came to mind was how to arrange for her burial. On a second thought, I felt the Father should be informed first. I left for His home. Immediately He saw me, He said "Utibe, imagine how God has revealed Himself to you. What has happened is to reveal the glory of God." With my previous experiences with Him, I held my breath, believing that He was aware of the situation. I was not wrong. But I informed Him that if my wife was not raised from dead that we were targets of horrendous attack. All He said was that I should go home. I insisted that we moved together. But He ordered me to move at once that He will see me later. I left Him eating but surprisingly before I got home, there He was.

At home, people started casting aspersions at us. We were not bothered. I opened the door and showed Him the corpse and reported that she died as a result of belly ache. He said "she is not dead but sleeping." He ordered me to close the door so that no one could come in.

In my mind, I prayed to GOD that if this MAN will make this lady to come back to life, I will never leave Him again. Immediately, He said "Is it not the same God that made Lazarus to come back to life after four days. How about this one that is not quite one full day? Thank your God for knowing me before this happened to you." Then, I asked Him, "Will that your thing bring her back to life." The Father said, "Do not say so, but ask if my God will raise her from dead".

After that, He brought out holy oil from His bag and prayed silently and ordered me to remove all her clothes. I did that. He applied the holy oil on her eyes, nose, mouth and ears and made a sign of the Cross on her forehead and ordered me to cover her with clothes. He said that my prayer should be that "if He wants to reveal Himself to me, the lady should be brought back to life." He asked what time it was, and I said 2.30 p.m. He carried His bag and said, "Do not leave the house. By 5.00 p.m. she will wake up" I doubted and asked Him to stay with me until she is brought back to life. He consoled me not to worry for the Father loves me so much. He further directed that I should not allow anybody to enter the house and that I should not leave the house until she comes back to life.

I opened the door for Him and He told me not to go out. Immediately

people who waited outside asked Him if he would bring the woman back to life. He simply asked them "to wait and see." He left. From my minds eye, I visualized all His acts and remembered all His pronouncements that never failed. This stepped up my faith. My eyes were on the watch. At exactly 5 p.m., she turned herself to one side. I rushed and called her repeatedly and she answered. I asked her penetrating questions and she also answered. I knew that the woman indeed was raised from dead. But I had to be sure. The Father had dropped some water that when she woke up, I should give her some to drink. I gave her the water to drink. After drinking, she asked after her baby and I confirmed that she was alive.

At that point, she opened her eyes but since she was still dizzy and sleepy, she asked for permission to sleep for sometime. By now, my my compound was filled with people. Some actually eavesdropped on our conversation and confirmed that she was raised from dead. At about half past seven, she woke up and demanded for drinking water and why people were disturbing and making so much noise. I did not explain to her. I blocked people from coming into the room to see her. After giving her food, I told the people to go until

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New World Ruler Enthroned

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The surrendering of all other powers and His enthronement as the universal world ruler is part of the preparation of the rulership of the next millennium, the Age of perfection.

It should be noted here that the bestowal of leadership authority on the Holy Father was earlier revealed to the Christ's Witnesses as they were already set to celebrate the Father's enthronement as the Eternal King of Righteousness and the Comforter on April, 4 1999 as well as the celebration of His "Triumph Over Evil" on Saturday April 17, 1999. This explains why the Christ's Witnesses were clad in various robes with banners representing the twelve tribes of Israel raised to the heavens, match round the World Headquarters of the New Kingdom

accompanied with heavenly melodies.

In a dialogue with the New Kingdom Trumpet, the president of the Christ's Witnesses Body, Brother Assasso Okokon Tete said that the Christ Witnesses were acting in concert with the scripture as recorded in Revelation 19: 12 - 16 This was also done in appreciation of His coming to dwell with man on earth. On His "Triumph Over Evil" he reflected that it was now fifty seven years (1942 - 1999) since the Holy Father challenged humanity saying that anybody who will be able to make him angry should come for a prize of any magnitude and that until the time of this celebration, nobody has shown up." He recalled events where churches ganged up against the Holy Father, called Him many derogatory names but He never sued them

or issued any statement of threat but only always forgave them. He pointed out that the occasion shall be celebrated annually by the Christ's Witnesses.

In their appreciation to the Holy Father on His enthronement they presented Him with a Crown, Royal Throne, Sceptre, a Balance, the Holy Writ and other kingship insignia.

The two events were



*Christ Witness Assasso Tete Okokon
President of Christ Witnesses Body*

indeed, colourful but solemn and attracted people from within and outside the fold.

In his address, His Holiness, King Olumba Olumba Obu commended the Father for His mastery of self, man, angels, spirits, plants and all God's creations. He thanked Him for His love, wisdom, knowledge, power, understanding and for imparting His teachings to humanity.

The King was appreciative of the fact that the Father's efforts and sacrifices have been acknowledged, culminating in his enthronement as the King of righteousness. By this initiative the Christ Witnesses, he said, have fulfilled the Scripture in Revelation 2:13 which says "the tabernacle of God is with men." The King therefore enjoined humanity to take advantage of the Father's exemplary attitude and teachings and be transformed accordingly.

He blessed the entire world.
Thank You Father.

before he traveled to USA in 1981 to further his studies on criminal law. In that dream, he said, was a bright light seated on His throne in Africa but people could not look at it because of its radiance.

He admitted that he did not understand that light until when he got baptised into the BCS later that same year in USA. That light, he explained is the personality that has directed him to the Obi. He thanked him for The warm reception and encouraged him to react positively to the invitation and without further delay.

Earlier, the Anambra State Leader's Representative, Pastor P. O. Ikeogu, praised the Father for bringing Brother Nwiye and other overseas brethren safely to Anambra State. He thanked Him for the cheerful reception by the Obi anytime BCS members visited him. Moreso, he thanked the Holy Father for proving His universal and Omnipresent nature by going to USA. to assign His child this ministry of salvation to the Obi and

Obi of Onitsha receives Redemption Message

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hoped that he will respond positively so as to save himself, household, and the entire Anambra State.

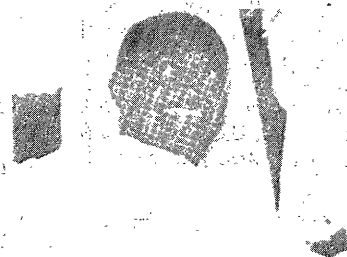
In this missionary envoy was His Lordship, Bishop James Ellerbe, a USA national. He testified that for him to come from USA. of all the places to share in the glory that has manifested in Africa was sufficient to explain the deity of Leader Obu. He said, he joined the BCS fold after the Holy Father had revealed Himself in America as the Holy Spirit and Comforter of mankind to him.

As a custodian of the norms, values and traditions of the society, he told him that the Giver God a greater service than the political leaders. For that reason, he pointed out that the Holy Father established the Traditional Rulers Fellowship in the Kingdom for all natural rulers to acquire the godly ideals to govern their subjects with the fear of God. He

advised the Obi to hearken to the Father's invitation

Others who addressed the Obi were Evangelist Bassey Clutecher of the "Voice of Eden" Choir and London based Sister Olabisi Iyakpo. They opined that as the visit of strangers salvaged Lot and his household, the ministry by brethren to the Obi will deliver him and his household.

In his response, the Obi of Onitsha, HRH Ofala Okagbue thanked the Holy Father for the special invitation extended to him



*Brother Clement Nwiye
led the ministry*

and promised to respond positively to it as demanded. Besides, he encouraged the brethren to call on him anytime they desired.

Aside the Obi of Onitsha, Brother Clement Nwiye was also messaged to the BCS brethren in Onitsha notably, those of the Mba Bethel, the mother Bethel of BCS in Anambra State, the Owerri Road Pentecostal Centre and the Okozsi Bethel, Onitsha all in Anambra State.

At the Mba Bethel, the Anambra State L/R, Pastor P. O. Ikeogu restated the fact that all other bethels in Anambra State and Onitsha, in particular, are offsprings of this Bethel and commended Pastor Michaelson Arina who the Father painstakingly used in establishing the Bethel. He asked the Father to use the ministry to ostracize all forces of hindrance to His service and circumscribe the minds of the entire Anambra indigenes to

appreciate His arrival on earth.

Others who spoke here include Deaconess Inyang Okon and Deaconess Grace Ellerbe. They prayed that the Father's will alone should prevail on the Bethel, Onitsha and the entire Anambra State.



*Bishop James Ellerbe
Was on the entourage*

Other activities which featured during the ministry were, procession round the various bethels, show love to the vineyard workers, fasting, testimonies and celebration of love feast at the Owerri Road Pentecostal Centre to strengthen the bond of love and unity among brethren.

Thank You Father.

COMMENTARY

**OBANSANJO AND
MAY 29, 1999**

Nigerians, on May, 29, 1999 by the special grace of the Father shall witness the swearing-in of another man to take over the mantle of leadership of their country. As at the time of writing this commentary security arrangements, protocol formalities, official documents that will symbolize the change of baton must have been completed. Foreign presidents and other dignitaries already invited and their entourage are burning up with anxiety, fathoming out what May 29, 1999 holds in stock for Nigeria.

Besides this, General Olusegun Obasanjo, the President elect must have by now retired to his Otta Farm, in Abeokuta either preparing his mind on how to become the next President of Nigeria, or receiving lobbyists, who try to seduce him, to secure positions in his administration.

These are normal situations. But is Obasanjo aware of the fact that, he will only take over the baton of leadership in Nigeria and not the leadership from God? Is he aware that, as he takes over the leadership of the Nigeria nation, he must surrender himself to be led by God? Is the president-elect aware that if he attempts to take over Nigeria without God, that Nigeria will collapse on his hands because God will not be a party to the arrangement?

In reminding Nigeria's President-in-waiting of these positions, we know that, in the words of Pastor Umoh James Umoh "Nigeria is a nation where all the citizens pose as experts and masters in all fields of human endeavour, yet, we have been groping in the dark from one vicious circle to another". These group of persons must have dusted the files of their mundane advise in preparation to infiltrate the mind of the president-elect on his ascension to power.

However, before they unleash their advice to the detriment of us all, Obasanjo must note that, Nigeria is in dire need of "peace, national unity, mutual understanding, peaceful coexistence, mutual trust and love for one another." These are all virtues that only the Father can generate in the lives of His children.

As May 29, 1999 approaches and Obasanjo is about to get on saddle, again, he must know that, his first mission is to reconcile Nigeria with God. He must shock the world on this date by handing over Nigeria to the Divine hands of the Almighty God.

It is not our intention to start influencing the policy guidelines of the president-in-waiting. We however make bold to remind him that there has been a general misidentification, misdirection and

the seared conscience of our people. The reintroduction of religion in our schools to cater for the moral value of our upcoming generations must be part of his acceptance speech.

Before driving Nigerians to the farms and diversifying the economy, he must know that the Father has not stopped producing oil. It is only our sense of false-pride and non-recognition of God that has created the minor problem in our oil industry. Obasanjo must, like the prodigal son go back to God and plead with Him to restore us to the days of the oil boom. This is possible.

Above all, Obasanjo must admit that for the ten governments that Nigeria has witnessed since independence, seven have been directed by Nigeria army officers. He must remember that the military is identified with war. And with war, they come to power. At times, with war, they leave power. And in most of these, blood always flow. Nigeria has seen enough of this blood-flow. Our land has been desecrated with the blood of innocent children of God. And God does not smile at the spilling of the blood of His innocent children even the blood of those possessed by the devil. Obasanjo has the arduous task of conducting a national cleansing of this land before he can think well. The blood of the innocent is haunting the leadership of this country. It is only the Father that can forgive this. And to the Father, Obasanjo must come.

As we watch Obasanjo mount, the rostrum to take over power, the question is, will he be able to pull the nation out of the mire of total self-paralysis with reference to our stand with God? We are consoled for we believe in what the Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu says. That is "God has come now to give man rest. Like the prodigal son, we shall go back to God remorsefully." Will Obasanjo unlike others do this? May 29, 1999 and after will tell.

Thank you Father.

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FASTING

Leader's Representative in the entire Brotherhood world are to converge at the World Headquarters, 34, Ambo Street, Calabar on June 6, 1999 for fasting with the Father. A circular had already been sent out.

TRF RECOMMISSIONED!

This column did not appear in our last Edition. The reason was our inability to resolve some burning issues. There was also the need for stocktaking. We also had to ascertain our situation on ground. Some truths have come to the fore. We could not have existed if the earth though shaking could not be overcome. We thank the Father for the victory.

DORMANT CHAPTERS:

During the last International Executive Meeting, after consultations with His Holiness, King, Olumba Olumba Obu, it was approved that dormant chapters be dissolved. On this note, the following chapters stand dissolved. They are Enugu State, Borno State, and Bauchi State. The TRF in the Republic of Cameroon is also dissolved. Chairmen of Kano and Ebonyi States remain other officers dissolved.

The position of states like Bayelsa and Akwa Ibom are yet to be determined.

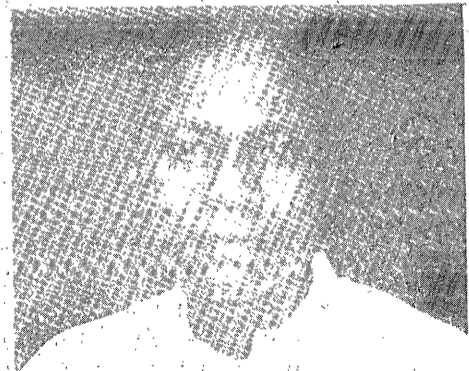
In Cross River State, the State Executive was re-inaugurated with the appointment of a Co-ordinator to work directly with the Chairperson.

NATIONAL MINISTRY:

The family intends to embark on a weekend ministry to Edo State in June. Chairmen of all chapters had already been informed and we believe that, the 25th - 27th of June 1999, will meet the family members at Edo State. Programme of the ministry shall be communicated to members.

LAGOS STATE X-RAYS ACTIVITIES - GIVES AWARDS,

The Lagos State Chapter of the Trumpet Readers Family recently x-rayed its activities from the period it was formed. In the report, the Chairman, Elder (Bro) Udoaka Ekpaenang commended all brethren who for the past two years and three months had contributed to the growth of the family.



*Bro. Udoaka Ekpaenang
Lagos State Chairman*

Especially commended were the International Patrons, Brothers Jimmy E. Agbeyei and B. T. Egei for their moral and financial contributions.

He thanked the various members of the Executive for their various

contributions. The report did not fail to mention the activities of Christ Truth New Missionaries and the roles of the sisters and brothers in the 144,000 pew. Worthy of note was the right hand of fellowship extended to ABAS, Lagos State Chapter.



*His Holiness, Olumba O. Obu
He recommissioned TRF*

He reported exhaustively on the eight Zones that make up Lagos State. He thanked them for their commitment to the Father's work. However, he took time off to berate some Zones who did not show adequate dedication and urged them to forge ahead. Again, he praised the New World Fellowship Choir for their steadfastness. Above all, he thanked the Father in the Lagos State Executive for giving them a levelled spiritual ground to operate.

After an elaborate assessment of the activities of individuals and Zones, the State Executive of the TRF awarded prizes to the zones that have fought the good fight for the past two years. The first prize went to Ikeja Zone. Ikotun Zone came up second while Surulere Zone finished up with a convincing third position.

The Chairman, Brother Udoaka Ekpaenang while chatting with Trumpet, announced an increase in the number of copies, they will circulate from 600 to 800. With this development, Lagos State now leads in the TRF mission worldwide.

TRUMPET 5TH ANNIVERSARY

The Trumpet Readers Family (Intl) took part in the 5th Anniversary celebration of Trumpet. Though low keyed, the celebration was worthwhile. Most Chapters donated towards the sustenance funds, others made pledges. It is hoped that those who pledged will soon redeem their pledges. TRF (Int'l) also promised a colour Television to Trumpet.

KOK CHALLENGES TRF

At the 5th Anniversary celebration of Trumpet, His Holiness, King Olumba Olumba Obu commended the TRF for their contribution in taking the teachings of the Father to the heathen land, and heaths. But he

went further than that. He said, "I must today reiterate the fact that, your challenge in the New Kingdom Trumpet goes beyond this. Your mission in the New Kingdom Trumpet is equivalent to that of the disciples of old. You must turn the world upside down." The Brotherhood world is watching and the Father will give you the ability to do this.

TRF (INT'L) PRESENTS COLOUR TV TO TRUMPET:

The Trumpet Readers Family (International) has presented a Colour TV to the Management of the New Kingdom Trumpet. Making the presentation, the International Secretary of the Family, Elder (Barr) F. B. Ubia said that the Television was given in order to help boost the international news content of the paper.

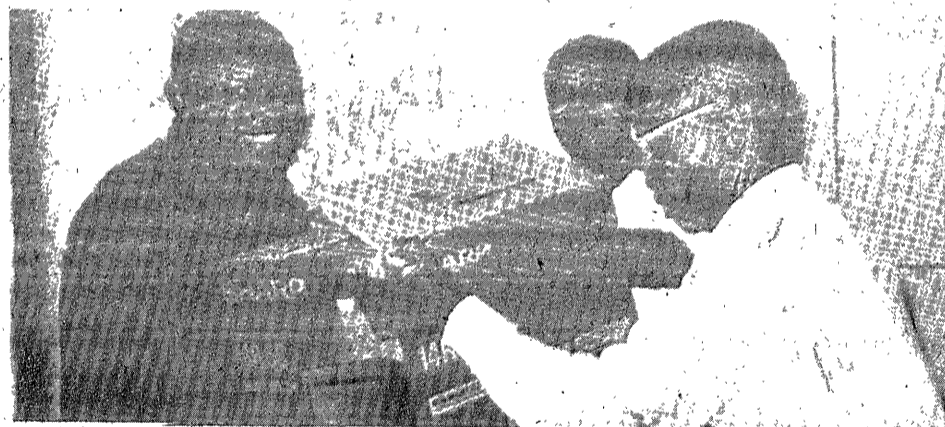
Receiving the Television set on behalf of the Chief Executive, the General Manager, Bro Etekpi Kanu said, "the ceremony though brief is meaningful. Information dissemination is vital in the life of a people. When you don't have the

means of getting the information, then, you cannot manage information. It is very thoughtful of the TRF to do this. On behalf of the Management, we are grateful. What you have donated will be used to the glory of the Father." He used the opportunity to call on other Fellowships and individuals to contribute to the growth of Trumpet.

TRF CHAIRPERSON RECEIVES AWARD

The Chairperson of Trumpet Readers Family in Kwara State, Sister Eunice Adeniyi was one of the four sisters honoured with an award of commitment and dedication to duties of the Elders Fellowship in Kwara State. The organizers of the Award, Elder I. Essien, the State Leader's Representative of Kwara State and Elder Onyeoka Azubike, Chairman of Elders in the State said they were given to only VERY COMMITTED brethren. They encouraged the recipients to continue in their diligent pursuits of the Father's work and prayed the Father to uphold them.

Thank You Father



The Secretary of TRF, Elder F. B. Ubia handing over the colour T.V. to the Gen. Manager of the New Kingdom Trumpet, Brother Etekpi Kanu, while Brother Eyibio Antia watches.

Recreating Trumpet

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satellite receiver to enable the editors get stories that will improve the international news content of the paper.

As the cliché goes, the fifth anniversary of TRUMPET has come and gone, but the memory lingers. One issue that will continue to task the intellect of the Managers of the paper is the challenge that the King of kings, His Holiness Roland O. Obu gave. He had asked: "what form would the sixth anniversary take. Would we still gather in this Conference Hall to talk-shop or would we roll the drums, invite brethren and treat brethren to a sumptuous feast?" The activities of the paper in the next twelve months will tell.

Meanwhile, it is worthwhile to say here that the story of the TRUMPET

at five is not only that of lack of funds, lack of readership, lack of effective circulation network, etc. TRUMPET has had its moment of bliss also. This is exemplified in the number of people who have come to testify that they became convinced, baptized and saved after reading the TRUMPET. A recent Daily Times publication rated TRUMPET as the most consistent and longest surviving religious Newspaper in Nigeria. Moreso, the mere fact that TRUMPET is still appearing on the Newsstands now that most publications debut in the morning only to fizzle out in the afternoon is enough news to cheer at.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TRUMPET!
Thank You Father.

"I AM THE FATHER'S SPECIAL DISCIPLE"

ANCHORED BY TOM MOSES

A testimony of Elder (Sister) Christiana S. Oden of the BCS Spiritual Maternity Home, Nyok Esu, Qua-Town, Calabar Municipality, Cross River State, Nigeria.

Having found the baffling way the Father operates through me at the Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home. I am convinced that I am specially anointed by God. At a tender age, I worshipped with our family's traditional church, the Presbyterian but as I advanced in age, I began the search for a place with which to heighten my spiritual powers and climax my divine potentials. As to confirm my readiness for the spiritual path, I developed the powers of clairvoyance. I could dream dreams which manifested in no time. But to my people, this gift was uncanny, hence, they thought that I was possessed.

However, I seemed to have known my onus and could decode the message from the still voice in me. I was divinely directed and before long I identified my brother with whom we baptized into the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star.

Immediately I was immersed in the water in the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost, I began to know peace and could appreciate my nature the more.

Being that the spiritual gift was already a special grant, it was not tasking for me to realize that my gift would be deployed in the Father's vineyard. I however did not know in which department of the vineyard I would be needed most. Probably, if I had a choice, I would have preferred something else to the maternity department. But I hadn't, hence, when the call came, all attempts to excuse myself failed.

I am testifying to the love of the Holy Father at Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home, Qua-Town, Calabar that I least thought the Father could call me at such a tender age to witness His glory, especially in an area which demanded experience.

It was after a certain Dry Fasting period that one Sister rushed to me asking that I come and deliver another sister who was under labour. But I objected because of the fear that I knew nothing about what I was requested to do. The Sister persuaded me to just come with her. And with faith in the Father, I followed her and with no effort, the sister was delivered of her child.

I thank the Father so much for such a wonderful experience, He gave me. Without the Father, that delivery would not have been

possible as the child came out first with one leg and after a compassionate prayer, came the other leg and later, the whole baby and much later, the placenta. I must confess that I panicked inexplicably at that scene when suddenly, I heard the Father's voice urging me to be calm and watch Him in action. At this juncture, I noted, was the beginning of my assignment. And it was truly the beginning as I came to witness far more complicated deliveries such that confounded medical experts.

There are many complicated cases including the one which involved one Sister Hannah Okon from Ekong Oban, Akamkpa in Cross River State. Her case was so complicated that hospitals rejected her and the only one which admitted her demanded for (N50,000.00) Fifty thousand naira deposit before she could be operated upon. But because



Leader O.O. Obu
He inspires He children

the Sister could not pay this required amount, she was sent packing. At home, somebody directed her to Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home where she later delivered safely.

It is pertinent to say here that when the Sister was brought, I was afraid because such complicated case was novel to me, worst of all, she was having hemorrhage. So, I asked her to go but as in my first experience, the Father asked if I did not want Him to be glorified. Then, I hurriedly sent for the sister who after prayers, delivered. But in this case, the baby (already dead) came out through the buttocks.

Beloved brethren, my testimonies are endless. There is another one concerning one Sister Iquo Bassej John from Akwa Ibom State who is said to have registered with one popular hospital there but because at the time of her labour, the hospital was on strike, she had to come to Calabar to register with one private Clinic. Surprisingly for the sister, when she went for check-up, she was told that the baby inside her had no

head and so, would not be admitted any longer. The sister became disconsolate, but fortunately, Senior Christ Servant Nsa Obong, her relative heard about her predicament and introduced her to Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home.

I am grateful to the Holy Father for the said Sister was a walking corpse by the time she was brought there but Leader Olumba Olumba Obu restored her life, and healed her of all her ailments, delivered her of the child and a life balloon in her womb.

There was also the case of one sister who registered at the Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home who any time she got back home, the pregnancy will disappear. Worried by in-comprehension of the scenario, her brother, a police officer took her to a hospital for check-up. What was the news? "She was not pregnant."



Sister Christiana S. Oden
Spiritual Director

the doctor said. But the Sister knew she was and continued to come to Nyok Esu for the routine Wednesday healing and check-up sessions.

For one year and six months, she was still carrying the pregnancy

thereby compelling the brother to secure the services of seven medical doctors to attend to her. On the day of delivery, she went to the hospital and was examined variously by three of the medical experts. They told her that except by surgical operation, she would not deliver, and her life was thus, in danger. Then, the sister told them not to worry that Leader Olumba Olumba Obu would deliver her. On hearing this name, the doctors became livid and threw her and her things out of the hospital.

From the hospital, the sister rushed to Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home and on the same day, delivered a bouncing baby boy. Overwhelmed with joy, her brother went to the hospital and broke the news to the doctors. This news rather irritated them the more and they had to send people to close-down the Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home. This closure was made public through the Cross River Radio and the television stations in Calabar.

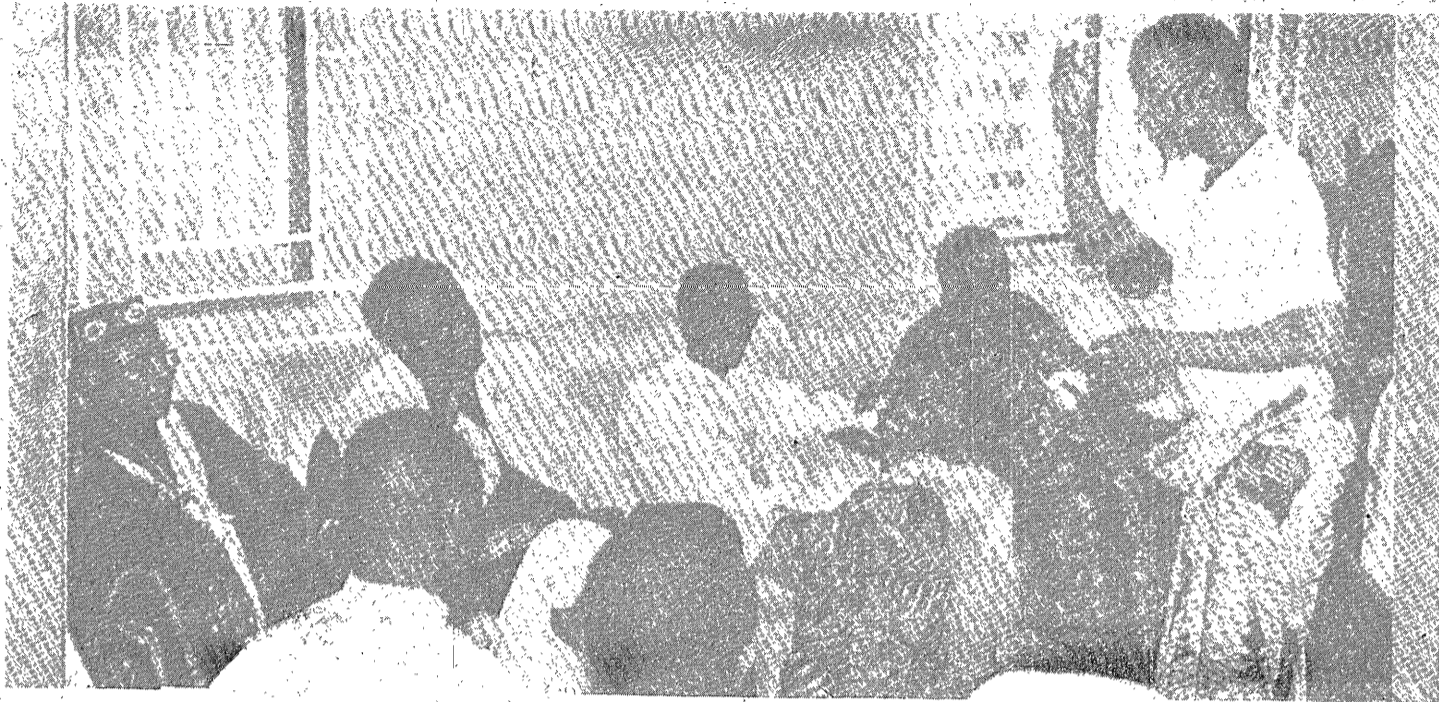
I am exceedingly glad for the action of these doctors which rather revealed the supremacy of the Holy Father to the world as more people "now throng the Maternity to salvage themselves." Beyond that, the same hospital and other medical citadels now send pregnant women with complicated cases, not minding their religious affiliation and biases to the Father there

In Nyok Esu Spiritual Maternity Home, the Father uses only water and the spoken word and healing and delivery are ascertained. I remain eternally grateful to the Father for making me His special disciple and I pray Him to continue to reign supreme in me and all His children for the eternal glorification of His Name.

Thank You Father.



Christ Witnesses' bearing flags representing the twelve tribes of Israel during their celebration of the Father's triumph over evil.



Even traditional Rulers seek His face and protection. Here the Holy Father (in loin) admonishes Natural Rulers who called on Him.

THE BATTLE BETWEEN JOSEPH BAPTISTE AND OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU

- * HE RESISTED HIS CALL
- * PERSECUTED HIS MISSIONARIES
- * CONNIVED TO SPIRITUALLY DESTROY THEM
- * PLANNED TO IMPRISON HIS MISSIONARIES - BUT

In our volumes one and two of the Trumpet Magazine, we presented to our readers the veritable truth that God is now on earth. We tried to dissuade those who are yet to come to the accurate knowledge of the truth to look before they leap because there are many wolves in sheep clothing. In fact, spiritual midgets now parading as God on earth. It was also revealed in the said articles that, He has established the Kingdom of God on earth now. That Kingdom, we must continue to emphasize, is the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. In this Vol. we, in all humility will try to establish the truth that, the Kingdom of God must be identified with divine power, the power that overcomes, all other powers. We have seen numerous instances of this power at work in this New Kingdom. Do you remember, Chris Komboye, a one time Pastor in the Deeper Life Bible Church who came to convert Olumba Olumba Obu but today remains a willing tool in the hand of the said "Christ" he persecuted. Do you readily forget the radical moslem activist Shehu Mohammed Gambo who screamed before his people "NOT MY WILL TO CHANGE MY RELIGION BUT ..." on

coming face to face with the "ABSOLUTE POWER" on earth now. Need we remind you of Sheikh Mandour and others ...

In your hands now is the story of a young man, who all his life struggled to get power until, he ventured into the province of real light and was arrested by the Supreme light. He attempted like others to confront the rays of that supreme light but was defeated. That man is Joseph Baptiste, now a Pastor in BCS, Listen to him.

I must confess that, it seems incredible that I would end up in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, a Kingdom that I rejected and persecuted. However, it must at this point be resolved that it was out of my ignorance of the truth as stated by Charles P. Romulo that "Brotherhood is the very price and condition of man's survival." I thank the Father for his ever open arms to receive those who are even late in coming despite repeated calls.

MY SPIRITUAL BACKGROUND

I am Pastor Joseph Baptiste from Trinidad and Tobago. Before accepting the call to the New Kingdom of God on earth, I had a challenging spiritual background. I started in the Catholic church. I became a church servant to the altar and later, a chief lay reader. The last person I served was the Archbishop of Port of Spain, who is still alive today. Not fulfilled, I left and became a member of the Spiritual Baptist Church which is known as the Order of Melchizedek. I strove to improve

my performance until I was made a young spiritual leader.

To attain that level; I had to conduct and practice certain rituals in order to attain a certain spiritual consciousness. Within that period, I was promoted to the fourth throne. These thrones represent spiritual heights in the cosmic. Each throne takes fourteen to twenty one days to complete the spiritual research. After the exercise, it is your level of revelation that informs you of the level of the persons spiritual consciousness. I was known as a Grand Master in this fold. All these experiences by now, I know are very elementary.

MY ENCOUNTER WITH O. O. O

My meeting with the Holy Father did not take place in the physical. He first revealed Himself to me in the astral world. I saw Him in the form of a Cross. I saw on the Cross a black image. His hand and feet were nailed to the cross as the image of our Lord Jesus Christ. He told me to come to the cross of Jesus Christ so that my sins be forgiven. On getting to the cross he came down from the Cross and pronounced "Go and tell the

world that the Son of man is on earth in human form." After this, I observed that there was a stream behind the cross and people went there to dip themselves as well as drink that water. Then, the mystery. That same man kept visiting me always.

One day, He appeared, when I was in the cosmic trying to take a throne. I saw Him in red garment and he told me that "I am his son." That man in "Red" in the spirit gave me a leather bag of keys made out of gold, silver and bronze. He added that He had authorized me to open and close any place. Also, in that cosmic state he gave me a house with all the modern facilities. They meant nothing to me since at this point in time, I was unemployed.

ANOTHER MYSTERY

On returning from the astral travels, I was propelled by an inner force to go to the Service Commission Department for a job. On reaching there, I was damned for not applying in time. But then something happened. One Mrs. Philips intervened and told me that the Public Utilities Department Unit of the Prime Ministers Office wanted someone as a Caretaker. On the spot, I was hired as a Caretaker and made to control the Government Printery under the office of the Prime Minister. This office was responsible for the printing of passports, money, bonds etc. I was also given the very house that was shown me in the vision. I was controlling the keys of all these security Departments. This way, all the promises of the man in Red garment was consummated.

THE STRANGE MAN AGAIN

Nine months later, this strange man whom I now know as the Father came to me and said, "You are my son, from the foundation of the world you were with me." He revealed all His activities before the commencement of His divine mission to me. He made me understand that He was a trader while His parents were farmers. He introduced me to the culture of knitting of baskets and told me that He manifested in Biakpan on earth.

He made me understand that any time I want to see him physically, I should go to where I was born, that is Fishing Pond village, Sang Grande, Trinidad. He also made me understand that in any place, God has a secret abode. He directed me

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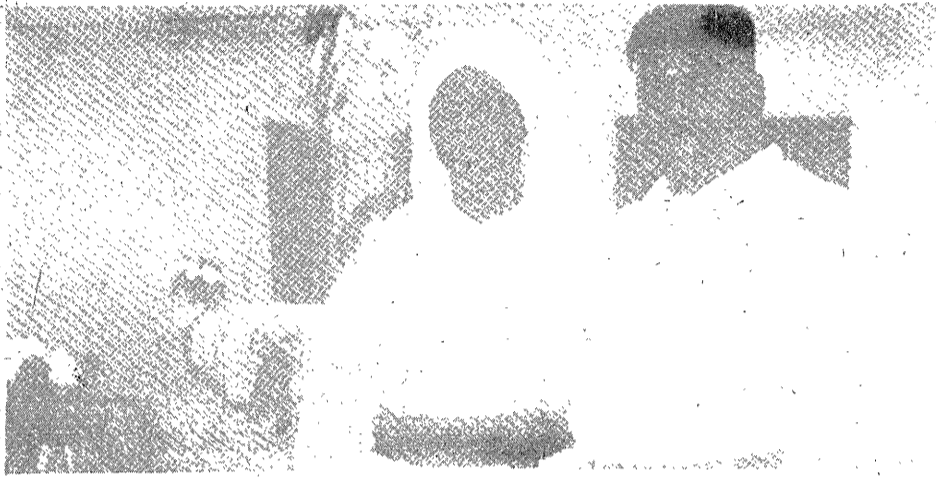
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to go to Acchoy Trace, that there was a big tree, and that tree represents Him. That tree is still alive. When I told people, they said, I needed psychiatric treatment. All these happened at the spiritual level.

NOW! THE PHYSICAL ENCOUNTER

Within this period, I saw some people dressed in white soutane and tied black girdle in Trinidad. I did not



Pastor and Deaconess Baptiste

know who they were. But two weeks later, I left home with a sound mind and body but on my way to Baptist Church I became mad. Then, a voice told me to go to the Baptist Church while the other voice prompted me to go to Cinema. But I went to the Baptist Church and without wasting time, the same car took me to Odean Cinema. At the cinema, the film shown was "Farewell Northern Kick." But it turned out to be "Hot sun 90". It was a popular movie.

STRANGE MEN IN TURBAN AGAIN

As I struggled to enter the movie hall again, I saw some men in white soutane and black turban and were barefoot. They looked strange but unique. But most strangely they drew my attention and greeted "Brother perfect peace." I refused to respond but they insisted and at a point held me and said "The Father sent us to you." Right there, I felt a strong presence of an extraordinary force within me and they continued "Are you not Joseph Baptiste, were you not in the cosmic and the being revealed Himself to you to come to Nigeria, Africa to see the living God?" I looked at them and said "I am the wrong person. Jun Jones killed all his members in Guyana and I am not the person you will sacrifice in Africa."

They asked if I had a Bible. I said, yes. That time, I used to hide my small Bible in my pants and in my struggle to bring it out, they joking said "You cannot understand the Bible because you hide it where fornication happens." They quoted many verses of the Bible confirming their belief.

The persons who tried to bring me to this path of truth I came to know

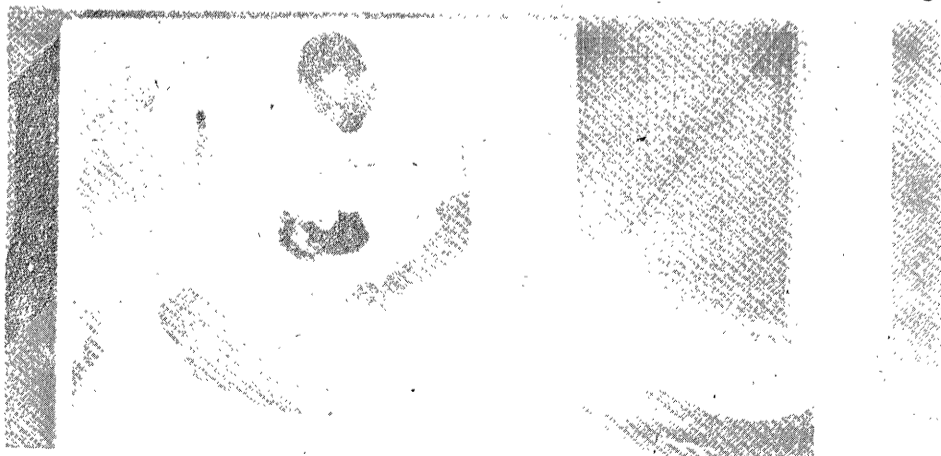
were Pastors Obong, Kaseba, and Samuel.

THE BATTLE (1)

MY WORRY:

I was worried and tried to find out who these people were. I tried to influence them by my acclaimed superior psychic powers. But a heavy beam of light was all over them. I felt humiliated and defeated. I invited them to the Baptist church, a church known for its overwhelming crowd

and spiritual powers in order to even up with them. They gladly accepted the invitation. On our arrival, we expected to meet and use our spiritual powers to deal with them. But on our arrival, there were very few members in the church. I went to Pastor Providence at No.8 Duke Street to inform him that visitors were in the church. Pastor Providence by our rating was the Grand Master in Trinidad, Guyana and the Caribbean. He arrived the premises of the church with all confidence. But to my greatest surprise Pastor Providence, on seeing our black, barefeet soutane wearing guests, became spiritually diminished as he knelt down, knocked his head three times



A Healing scene in a BCS Spiritual Hospital.

on the ground and said "Thank God that I have lived to see salvation come to the world through Africa" I was the more surprised on discovering that Pastor Providence could not measure up to our guests either in his knowledge of the Bible or spiritual content. Again, the people defeated us. I could not understand all that.

THE BATTLE (11)

I became restless. I could not understand the source of their power. I planned to deal with them through my country's defence mechanism, the police. I met Senior Police Inspector A. Cumming now Apostle to slap any charge on them, lock them and finally imprison them. The police officer accepted. On the "D" day, 14th December, 1981, with car Number PAA 1445, a Datsun, we

for baptism. He was baptized, while I bowed my head in submission and submitted myself for the final cleansing rites by these messengers of the Holy Spirit.

And so, it turned out that, instead of imprisoning them, they rather saved us. That marked the birth of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in Trinidad and Tobago. This was on the 14th of December, 1981. That Baptist Church is now the Headquarters of



The Baptiste had these kids - Prince Mikhail Baptiste and Princess Lystra Baptiste after medical experts have confirmed them incapable of procreation.

conveyed the missionaries to that mission of doom. We arrived the beach at about 12.15 midnight. We disembarked and sat at the beach to discuss. I wanted an opportunity to x-ray them spiritually with my cosmic powers. to really know who they were. I could not see anything apart from the divine light that encircled all of them. And to my utmost consternation, one of the Pastors drew my attention and said "Brother Baptiste, stand up, stop practising those things. This is the time of the Holy Spirit." I was benumbed. I had reached my wits end.

My hope now went to Inspector Cumming whom I thought would start dealing with the people. I was wrong

the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in Trinidad and Tobago. With these unique experiences, I had thought my testimonies were completed. It was not true. I still had more unique experiences to contend with.

THE BIG ENCOUNTER

On the 23rd of October 1982, I got married to one Lystra Baptiste, now a Deaconess by the grace of the Father. There was no fruit of the womb. By my standards, it was not a fulfilled marriage. I came to Calabar on the insinuations of brethren that the Father will give me a child. I met the Holy Father and the Holy Mother as well. My only request was for them to give me a child. In His characteristic manner, the Father told me "Go, I have blessed you with children, houses, cars, job and everything you can think of. I am before and behind you" However, the truth is that, I had been written off by many medical experts that I won't bear children because my system is not balanced. Still, I could not reconcile the medical experts verdict and the Father's Decree. I had to wait and watch.

THE FATHER'S SPIRITUAL OPERATION

On returning to Trinidad and Tobago, I left for the United States of America on the 22nd of September, 1990 to attend a BCS convention at Washington D.C. After the convention, I joined my Sister in Georgia on the 27th of November, 1990. I went to conduct Watch and Pray at Blueridge Avenue, Atlanta, and had to continue the next day. While in the altar around 2.30 p.m I was taken up in spirit. I saw the

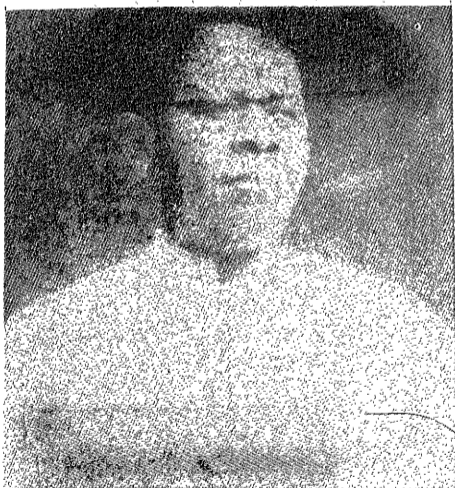
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"heaven" opened and a silver ladder descending therefrom. I saw the heavenly hosts made up of Indians, Chinese, Africans etc. coming into the Blueridge Atlanta Bethel. They brought a surgical table from above with all other equipment used for an operation. I was given the normal anesthesia to make me unconscious. After this, the Father descended into the altar with a golden ladder. Then He said "You have been looking for fruit of the womb. All that you are looking for, you will get them from today." The Father, from His surgical overall brought out some new groins. He removed my old groins and replaced them with the new ones and stitched. I felt some pains during the spiritual exercise.

As I woke up, I testified about my spiritual exercise and the brethren confirmed that they sniffed drugs and medicine in the bethel. One week later, I met with my sister. The result of that meeting and subsequent ones brought about the birth of my first baby boy on 14th September, 1991. He is Prince Joseph Mikhal Baptiste and the second Princes Lystra Lydia Baptiste born on 17th July, 1993. This brought to an end the battle between me and a force greater than me, the medics and even the entire world. Can you believe this? That till today, medical science cannot explain how this came about but the Holy Spirit has. I must thank the Holy Father for His love and bounties. He is the Doctor of Doctors.

Can you listen to this again? Brother Nsan Takon, Secretary General of ABAS International in his contribution to a paper presented by



Apostle Eyibio Akpan
A foremost Spiritual Therapist

the TRF International had this to say about the Father, "Leader Olumba Olumba Obu is superbly Omni merciful, a super spiritual physician of man's body, mind, and spirit, recreates bones, muscles, marrows and blood tissues. No incense, perfume, mystical incantation, candles or herbal, applications but spiritually founded and sustained spiritual hospitals specializing on psychic X-rays of the human body,

distant psychic X-rays of persons in any part of the world, psychic gynaecological treatment and general psychic healing.

This is an authoritative description of the activities of the Holy Spirit in this age. As a confirmation, let's share with you, what obtains in other parts of Nigeria.



The Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu
blessing His children. This is the most potent healing method.

THE RETURN OF AKIM SPIRITUAL HOSPITAL

The wisdom of God, is different from that of man. In Akim, a stone's throw from where the citadel of human learning, the University of Calabar situates, is the Akim Spiritual Hospital. The site of Akim Spiritual Hospital is not by happenstance but it is there to confound the wisdom of the learned.

In the late seventies and early eighties, the spiritual hospital functioned in leaps and bounds. But when the glory due God was misdirected, the glory returned to the Father. Because of the mercy and love the Father has for his children, He has re-opened the spiritual hospital with the Father in Apostle Eyibio I. Akpan as the Spiritual Doctor. To prove the power of the Holy Spirit, the man in-charge of the hospital has neither attended any medical school nor enrolled in any esoteric school but depends purely on the promptings of the Holy Spirit personified, Leader O. O. Obu. A typical day in the hospital starts with the normal morning prayers. On Wednesdays, and Fridays is Spiritual Research. There is also the Bible Class and Watch and Pray, General Fasting is observed on Thursday while Clinic and Healing sessions come up every Friday. Consultation an Treatment is daily.

Since the return of the hospital by the Father in August 1998, there are numerous testimonies about the powers of the Holy Spirit. AIDS patients at times sneak into the place for relief. The records are with the Spiritual Doctor. Cases of hernia, appendicitis have been spiritually treated and the people are living testimonies. There are no cases that cannot be handled by the Holy Spirit.

It is said that only a trial will convince you. The Father is doing marvelous things in this generation.

In terms of delivery of babies, the maternity section is waxing very strong by the power of the Holy Spirit but what astounded most people was the case of Sister Bassey Okon Edem who delivered a baby wrapped

in very strong black polythene bag. The child unfortunately had died inside the polythene bag. What did a polythene bag have to do in the womb of a woman? These are questions and problems that only the Holy Spirit can unraffle. There are many people who have secretly moved to the hospital to get their blessings. There is nothing the Father cannot do.

CHRIST SPIRITUAL HOSPITAL AND MATERNITY HOME - ABUJA

It is in strategic locations that the Holy Spirit personified, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu would continue to reveal His glory. In Yabi Dam Bethel is also located a Christ



Snr. Xt. Servant E. Johnson
in-charge of Abuja Spiritual Hospital

Spiritual Hospital. This Spiritual hospital has Senior Christ Servant Edet Johnson Ukpong as the Spiritual Doctor. According to him, X-ray and general healing is on Wednesdays and Fridays. Most men of the other religions who for fear of being ridiculed sneak in there from time to time to get blessings. Only very few of such men have decided openly to declare for the power of the Holy Spirit. Chief Femi Aluko, the Chairman of the defunct Nigeria Labour Party had to take his bearing

from here before beginning his spiritual journey in the New Kingdom. As at now, he is in Ambo.

Apart from these men of valour who stealthily move to Yabi Bethel, and tap from the all-pervasive spiritual powers of our Father, many other sicknesses are healed. Such sicknesses range from diabetes, hypertension, ulcer, asthma and other spiritual attacks. And according to the Spiritual Doctor, it is only the name of the Father, Olumba Olumba Obu, Holy Water and the spoken word that the Holy Father uses to do His work and reveal His glory. He makes people to understand that, the Father has taken absolute control of the world and those in need of good health should always call on O. O. O. In Trumpet. We do not agree less.

AND IN AKWA IBOM STATE HOLY FATHER APPROVES A PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL AT UKANAFUN

The Holy Father has formally approved the Registration of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star (Bethel) Healing Home at Ikot Akpan Eyak as a Psychiatric Hospital

The Bethel / Healing Home which is said to have been in operation since 1979 has healed more than seventy lunatics in their varying degrees of mental derangement.

All these marvelous works have been done by the Holy Father, Leader O. O. Obu, the Sole Spiritual Head. The Brother in-charge of the Healing Home testifies to the New Kingdom Trumpet that the Holy Father heals with the power of the spoken words, prayers, fasting and songs of praises at the Hospital. Above all, healing charges are not imposed on the people.

Elder Friday Ubokudom maintains that several lunatics have been referred to the hospital from orthodox psychiatric hospitals, herbal and other healing homes and in all such cases the Holy Father had continued to reveal His glory by healing the people.

Brother Friday Ubokudom maintains that the healing period varies from individual cases. The psychiatric hospital can be easily reached through the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, Ukanafun Area Pentecostal Centre, No. 28 Ikot Inyang Abia Road at the Ukanafun Local Government Headquarters.

The question often asked is, why do we continue to have mad people roaming the streets of our villages, and towns and cities. It is because the devil has blinded the people and they now see in the activities of the Holy Spirit the hand of the devil. Can you take advantage of this Spiritual Healing privilege and testify to the glory of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome to Trumpet Magazine.

Thank You Father.

NO ROOM FOR MISERS IN GOD'S KINGDOM*Continued from P.13*

Matthew 25:31-40. This passage refers to the five Wise Virgins and I want you to realize that this is judgment time and everyone shall be judged according to his works. The five foolish virgins are amongst you likewise the five wise virgins. Refer also to Matthew 25:41-46. This excerpt is about the foolish virgins. Having read it, you should realize the evil you have done to yourself as you go about foolishly.

EAT NO MAN'S FOOD FOR NOUGHT:

Have you not heard that you should not eat any man's food for nothing. What do you think of yourself? do you think you are wise? Do you not know that while you are enjoying the rains, you are indebted to the dry season and vice-versa?

You lament that you have lost your mother and father, you are sick, your child cannot afford to go to school due to lack of fund, and so, you needs financial help from Brotherhood. Why do you impose your financial problems upon God?

You are advised to love your brethren, forsake sin and be righteous. Have you done all these? You claim to be a child as well as a student, so you see no need to be enrolled into the Women's Fellowship or the Men's Fellowship. As a student, do you not pay your fees, buy clothe and eat? Are these things provided by the school you attend?

As a student, you have stopped attending any church activity but when you need help; you run to the church for help. How do you expect them to be encouraged to help you? As a student, you have refused to practice the teachings of God, you are only interested in your position as a secretary, financial secretary; you enjoy singing and doing other baseless activities, neglecting the works of God but the moment you have any problem, you seek the help of God, lamenting to be an orphan. How do you hope to be helped?

Refer to II Thessalonians 3:6-15

FLEE FROM TROUBLE MAKERS

You should disassociate from those who talk carelessly, instigate trouble and fear no one. Disassociate from flippant people. Even in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, they are people who are adamant towards the teachings of the Father; they still lack love, they do not respect people and are not ready to practice any of the teachings.

These people are the tale-bearers and are interested in trouble making. I have told you that I do not want any idle man or beggar because they are the five foolish ones. These are they who did not feed the Lord when He was hungry; they did not provide Him with house when He was houseless. When the Lord was sick, they did not

visit Him neither did they visit Him when He was in prison. They did not clothe Him when He was naked. The proverbial foolish ones prefer to go about begging.

The women's Fellowship are known to be giving the little they have in their purse to beggars, but these people who the fellowship gives money do not contribute anything to the fellowship. However, no matter what you do for them, they still complain. They are the ones who say that at the initial stage, there was love in Brotherhood but today that love is no more. They would remind you of the Father's instruction on generosity and love. They condemn and castigate every other person but portray themselves as those who practice the gospel.

Listen to what the owner of this vineyard did in Matthew 17:25-27.

He is the Creator and owner of all things and has instructed that we show love unto our fellow man. Did He not heal the sick? Most of you today have met your wits end. The five wise ones among you know why they are in Brotherhood. While the five foolish ones think that they can do anything here and get out with it. They deceive people to donate money for their selfish purposes;

"You all have cheated God by your unwillingness to pay tithe. All the true children of God are aware that whatever they have belong to the Father, and whatever is owned by the Father, automatically becomes theirs. All the strangers have to realize the need to pay tithe."

claiming to be doing the work of God. They will tell you, "if you want a child, donate into this tray, if you want a husband, donate here, if you want money, donate there". Then they keep a separate one which they claim is mainly for the Father. They use such money to train their children and finance many other things. If you ask them to pay tithe, they will refuse. When they come to Calabar, they pay about two or five naira and require a receipt to enable them get Holy water. When they leave here; they charge money from people who go to them for prayer. They have different kinds of feast, like the virgin feast, fruit feast, silent feast and all the rest. They think they can deceive people.

A CASE OF THIS DECEITFUL ACT IS WHAT HAPPENED TO BROTHER ETOP. A WOMAN WENT TO HIM AND TOLD THEM TO BUILD A HOUSE FOR GOD. HE WENT AHEAD AND DID EXACTLY THIS. BUT TODAY, THE

HOUSE IS NEITHER OWNED BY GOD NOR ETOP; IT IS THE WOMAN'S PROPERTY. AT THE END HOWEVER, PEOPLE WILL REAP WHAT THEY SOW.

Brotherhood is not a place for one to operate without God's guidance. Those who do, do not know where they belong and that is the basis of one's judgment.

Refer to Ephesians 4:29

WORK FOR YOUR LIVELIHOOD:

What did God give us the hands for? Of course to work. What did He give us the mouth for? To eat, that is the reason why I tell you that I do not want an idle man here. You must work for your livelihood. Even if you are a nanny, a house-keeper, a laundry man, labourer, whatsoever you can do to help yourself, do it for I do not want anybody here to be a dependant, rather work and use the money to serve God, assist the poor and the helpless. There is no achievement here because most people are merely idlers. Those who claim to be incharge of Bethels depend solely on donations and freewill offering. They grab whichever money goes to the Bethel, not minding its purpose; be it tithe, freewill offerings and; or charity.

They claim to be the Caretakers of these Bethels. The Holy Spirit is not in support of all these things, because these group of people are not willing to work and even earn a living. All these things they do are very discouraging.

Refer to Hebrews 7:1-7

Since your baptism into Brotherhood, you have never paid tithe. From where then do you expect to derive blessings? You cannot deduct just one tenth of your monthly earnings and present to God. Nothing is too small to serve as your tithe. Every little amount is quite acceptable. If for instance, you acquire a land and the owner charges you N1.00 monthly, you must pay the amount monthly. Even if you erect a storey building for the land lord, that is only to serve as an appreciation, but you still have to pay the agreed amount to the land lord, to show that he is the rightful owner of the land. If you fail, it can be termed as a breach of contract which is punishable by

law. That one naira is greater than the million of naira you may shower on him. In like manner, your tithe is the most important thing.

PAY YOUR TITHE PROMPTLY:

The Father is now on earth, have you paid your tithe? The Christ Servants have to pay tithe, the same with the Christ students, children of God, prophets, government, church, everybody, regardless of your position or status. If you do not pay this tithe, it then shows that you do not have faith, trust and believe in God. You claim that God is on earth and that you know Him, then, have you paid your tithe? Once you claim to have knowledge of God, in order to receive His blessings, you have to pay tithe.

THIS TITHE PAYMENT COULD BE LIKENED TO THE ELECTRICITY THAT YOU USE. AFTER ALL THE WIRING AND EFFECTIVE WORK, THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY (NEPA) DOES FOR YOU, WHAT ELSE DOES IT OWE YOU? IT IS ONLY TO SUPPLY LIGHT TO YOU. AND WHAT YOU OWE NEPA IN RETURN IS TO PAY YOUR BILL AT THE END OF THE MONTH, FAILURE OF WHICH YOUR SUPPLY WILL BE DISCONNECTED.

Your tithe payment is the strongest and main link between you and God. No matter the position you hold or wherever you find yourself, pay your tithe else, you will be disconnected from God completely. There is no substance in your claim that Olumba is God. It will not help you. If only all who come here hearken unto my words and practise them, they would all have peace, progress, blessings and enjoy the glory of God. But your restlessness would not allow you do what is expected of you; and I wonder if it is due to poverty or you are one of the five foolish ones. There are some in this fold however, who follow these procedures gently and rightly. Pay your tithe promptly and enjoy the benefit therefrom.

Read Malachi 3:7-10

TITHE PAYMENT ATTRACTS BLESSINGS:

You all have cheated God by your unwillingness to pay your tithe. All the true children of God are aware of the fact that whatever they have belongs to the Father, and whatsoever is owned by the Father, automatically becomes theirs. All the strangers have to realize the need to pay tithe. Everybody, be you a Brotherhood or not, once you believe in God, you have to pay your tithe promptly because it is your source of blessings.

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Special Report

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BCS: THE CAMEROON EXPERIENCE

By Tom Moses

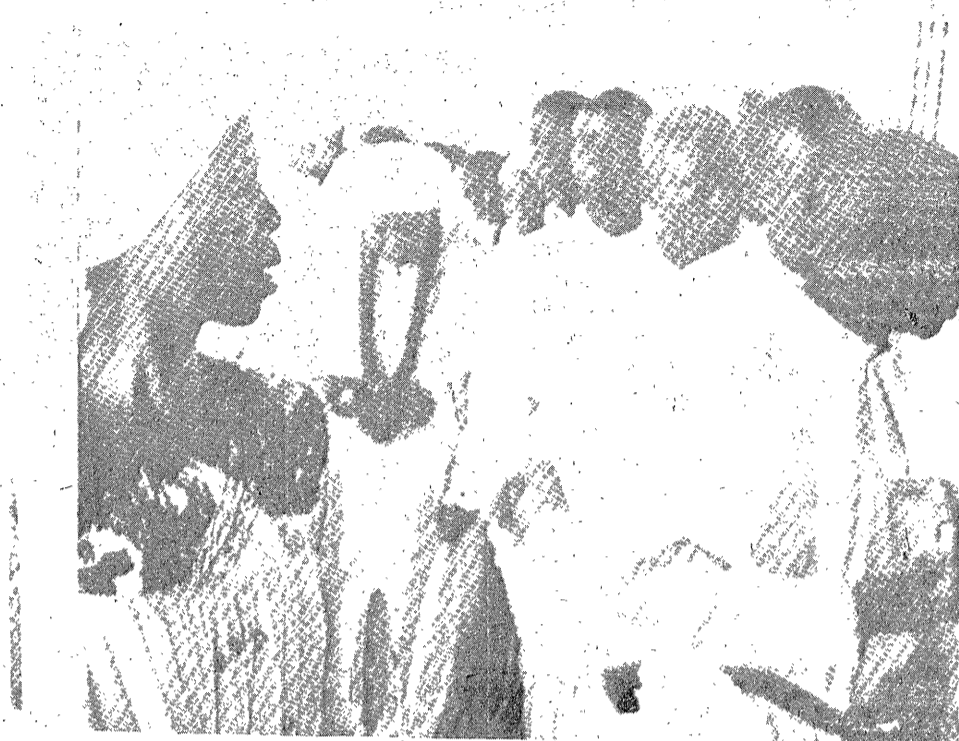
Between Thursday 25 and Sunday 28 March 1999, the Holy Queen Mother, Her Holiness Ibum Olumba Obu was on evangelical tour of the Republic of Cameroon. That visit among other things provided her the opportunity to assess the growth of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, the New Kingdom of God on earth within the shores of Cameroon. While there, the manifestation of the prophecy of Prophet Daniel in Daniel 2: 44 was glaring. Between the young and elderly ones, the word, 'peace' is second nature. As the Holy Queen Mother's convoy rode along, from Ekok to Mamfe, Kumba, Limbe, Douala to Yaounde, it was not uncommon to hear the echo, "peace - oh" They echoed as if expecting miracles by it. With this height of awareness therefore, it becomes convincing that the Holy Spirit is really at work in Cameroon and anticipatory that in no time, all children of the Father will assemble with Him under one fold.

As Her Holiness landed at the Douala International Airport on Thursday, she briefed the Press on her mission in Cameroon. She told them that her visit was at the instance of the personified Holy Spirit, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu, who has commanded her to shower peace unto His children in Cameroon.

From the Douala International Airport, the Holy Queen Mother and her entourage moved to the BCS National Headquarters, 8520/ Douala Central Bethel where she was received by her children and many others who sought her blessings. In his welcome address, the Douala Central Bethel (Male) L/R, Brother Innocent Okon extolled the Holy Father for His love for them especially, for coming down to dwell with men on earth and by His special grace, make them partakers in His Kingdom.

He was optimistic that by the Queen Mother's Visit, all stumbling blocks to their steadfast propagation of the teachings of the Father would be completely eradicated. As a token of appreciation, he presented a gift to her Holiness on behalf of the entire Bethel members.

Responding, Her Holiness expressed gratitude to the Father for the journey mercies granted her and her entourage to Cameroon. She thanked Him for choosing to visit Cameroon and for the blessings of this visit to His children and beseeched Him to shower His blessings more abundantly on His children and the entire Cameroon



The Queen mother Her Holiness, Queen I. O. Obu being heralded into the venue of the reception during her visit to Cameroon

Republic so that they may become one with Him.

On Friday March 26, the Holy Queen Mother took her blessings to Yaounde, Cameroon's Capital city, where she was received at the Yaounde Pentecostal Centre. She was billed to pay courtesy calls on the Cameroon Ambassador to Nigeria, the Minister of Territorial Administration and of course, the Minister of Women's Affairs but these could not be as those personalities were on holiday that Friday being the Moslem Festival of the Id El Kibir. However, they had appealed that the visit be rescheduled for Monday when they must have returned to their duty posts.

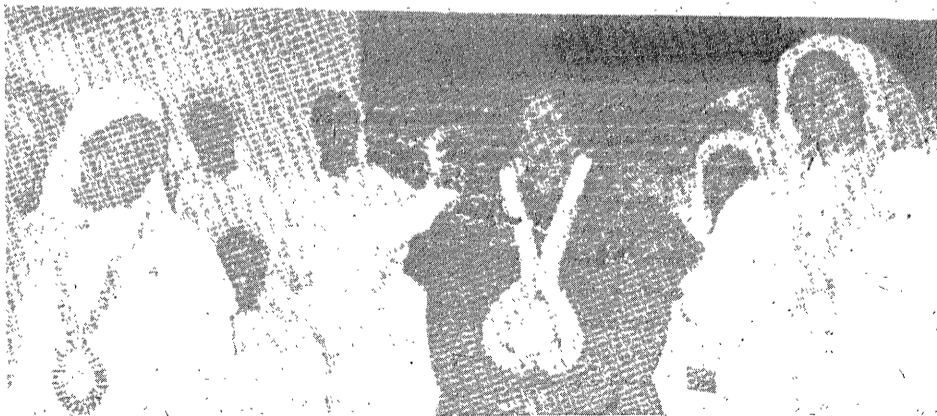
The following day, it was the turn of the English speaking Cameroon to share in the Holy Queen Mother's blessings. Receiving Her Holiness at the Limbe Community Pavilion, the Regional L/R of the English speaking Cameroon, Elder Nchenge Francis Oru expressed delight to the Holy Father for the honour the visit of Her Holiness has brought, the joy over the manifestation of the Godhead on earth and for witnessing the New Age. Elder Oru prayed the Father to use the visit of Her Holiness to banish all agents of retrogression in the spread and practise of His teachings from His children in the entire Cameroon.

He disclosed that the English speaking Cameroon is administered under five Pentecostal centres, established in Bekumu 1, Limbe, Kumba, Ekondo and Mamfe with thirty six worship centres including bethels and healing homes. He also mentioned the existence of four

viable fellowships in that region viz: the Women's, Men's, Elders and the Choristers' Fellowships. He prayed the Father to reinvigorate the other Fellowships and liberate the minds of backsliding members towards the salvation brought to them, by Him in this dispensation.

Elder Oru disclosed plans of the region to establish BCS Primary School and a Home Economics Centre to groom BCS children in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Spirit as well as build certain talents in them and prayed for the Holy Queen Mother's blessings.

The Holy Queen Mother, in her response, was elated by the sincere reception and honour accorded her



The Holy Queen mother, Her Holiness, Queen I.O.Obu flanked by Princess Onughen Obu and Ugo Obu

by the Limbe brethren. She assured them of the Holy Father's blessings, adding that a Cathedral where such occasion would hold in future has been granted them.

The Holy Queen Mother also visited and blessed Kumba brethren at the Kumba Pentecostal Centre where the Kumba Central Choir entertained her.

Later in the day, after her Holiness had returned from the English speaking Cameroon territory, the host of her children in the entire Cameroon Republic gathered at the Maison du Parti, Bonajo in Douala a special venue for Her Holiness's reception.

Addressing the Holy Queen Mother, other guests and brethren, the Cameroon National L/R, Deaconess (Dr) Odette Wandy Mouelle also called, Sister Ada Ano Obu expressed profound gratitude to the Holy Father for the Holy Queen Mother's visit. For choosing to visit Cameroon in 1999 which she described as the "Judgment Year" she noted, is an indication that Cameroonians are a special people of God and hoped that the Father will use the visit to transform the people completely to Himself.

She thanked the Father for being the first Sister National Leader's Representative in the fold having been nominated in 1989 and for her adoption by the Supreme Father into His family, hence, her new name, Ada Ano Obu. She also thanked the Father for directly piloting the affairs of the fold in Cameroon. With the presence of the Holy Queen Mother in the land, she expressed the conviction that all the things needed to actualize their Father's work and bring all His children together would be lavishly provided.

For easy administration, Deaconess Mouelle stated that the affairs of the country are piloted under two regions, (The French and the English speaking) whose L/Rs are responsible to the National L/R. Those Regional L/Rs are; Elder Brother (Col) Bouele for the French

speaking Region and Elder (Brother) Oru Francis for the English speaking Region.

She thanked the Father for the 900 metre square plot He has acquired in Douala for the construction of the first BCS Cathedral in Cameroon, she thanked her predecessors and the present

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executives at all the BCS administrative levels for their contributions towards the successful hosting of Her Holiness.

She thanked the International President of the Women's Fellowship, Deaconess V. B. Clarke for all her sacrifices and other brethren who abandoned their personal concerns to ensure that the occasion was a success. She prayed the blessings of the True God for them.



Deaconess (Barr.) V. B. Clarke
Int. President, Women's Fellowship

Her special appreciation went to our Blessed Mother, Princess Onugen Olumba Obu and Sister Ugo Obu for gracing the occasion. She hoped that the visit to her country could be regular for them to continually behold the face of the Holy Queen Mother and that of the entire Holy Family. She was also happy with their Lordships, Bishop C. O. Akpan, Bishop A.O.E. Ekanem, Bishop M. Ejedawe and Bishop Okpala William for gracing the occasion.

Also presenting an address was the Chairman of the National Planning Committee on the Holy Queen Mother's visit, Brother Vincent Diboti. He expressed appreciation about the Queen Mother's visit, saying that her presence there was synonymous with the coming of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. He thanked the Father for the love He has for them.

Brother Diboti disclosed that the hosting of the Holy Queen Mother in Cameroon was a big challenge as

some other countries tried to hijack the chance. He thanked both Cameroonians, Nigerians and all others whom the Father used to make the organizing and hosting of Her Holiness a reality. He expressed joy for the blessings which attend the visit and wished that the visit could be monthly to enable them continuously abide in her love.

In his address, the function Chairman, Bishop C. O. Akpan who is reputed to have served the Father in Cameroon, for eleven years thanked the Father for the honour done him to chair such a special occasion. He recalled that in the seventies when he was in Cameroon, it was very tasking for one to allow his or herself to be identified with the fold, talkless of adorning the white garment and thanked the Father for altering the trend to His glory.

At that time, he went on, membership strength at Limbe Bethel was twenty out of which eleven were Nigerians while nine were Cameroonians. He thanked the Father for His dominion now as expressed by the wide appreciation of members and His name as the Holy Queen Mother was touring the Country. The Chairman prayed the Father to continue to guide and protect the National L/R and all His children in Cameroon as well as reward their sacrifices towards the growth of His Kingdom.

In his speech, the Abuja Regional L/R, His Lordship Bishop Matthew Ejedawe who intimated brethren of the relevance of this visit to states and countries, noted that after the Holy Queen Mother's visit to Abuja, the FCT of Nigeria in 1996, the region experienced a new lease of life. He assured the Cameroonians of enviable testimonies immediately after the visit.

Bishop A. O. E. Ekanem, the Kano Regional Bishop also addressed brethren at the occasion. He challenged the Christ's New Truth Missionaries to go out and evangelize the world concerning the emergence on earth of the long awaited Kingdom of God spoken about by our Lord



Deaconess (Dr.) Ada Ano Obu
Cameroon National L/R

Jesus Christ and that the Father - God, Father - Son and the Holy Spirit are equally on earth.

Bishop Okpala William, the Kaduna Regional L/R in his address harped on the need for members to conduct themselves in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Father so that, in the course of disseminating the news of the emergence of the New Kingdom of God and the presence of the personified Holy Spirit on earth, the audience may receive the news faithfully. He thanked the Chairperson of the International Women's Fellowship, Deaconess V. B. Clarke, the Cameroon National L/R, the Planning Committee and others who contributed to the success of the visit. He prayed the Father to fully liberate Cameroon and all His children for His glory to be revealed in the entire world.

The Holy Queen Mother, Her Holiness Ibum O. Obu in her address, expressed delight to the Holy Father for the colourful reception accorded her. She appreciated His infinite love and mercy for her and entourage to travel from Calabar to Cameroon to witness His supremacy.

She told the brethren that the reason for her annual movement to States and Countries of the world was to celebrate the fulfillment of the scripture as recorded in Revelation 12: 5 and the choice of Holy Mother Ibum Olumba Obu as the vessel through which the Holy Spirit

manifested on earth. She assured that all those who believe in this fact are saved.

The Holy Queen Mother advised members of the fold to always count others as being better than themselves but should endeavour to do things that will reveal them as children of the Holy Father. She warned against quarreling, struggling for position, monopoly of power and all divisive tendencies. According to her, since "a house which divides against itself can never stand, the same is applicable to any organisation founded on bitterness, rancour and disunity.

However, Her Holiness expressed faith in the Father to use the visit to cement the bond of love and unity among them as well as open His floodgate of riches, prosperity, life and peace for them. Thus, she advised them to let good be spoken of them always so that others may know that they are worshipping the true God and possibly join in glorifying the Father.

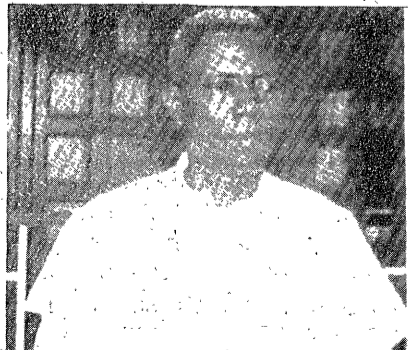
The Holy Queen Mother re-commissioned the Christ's New Truth Missionaries to ensure that all the lost sheep of the Father returned to the fold. She lauded the efforts of the Planning Committee and the entire Cameroon brethren for their contributions towards the successful hosting of the Father in the Country and prayed the Father to replenish them.

Her gratitude also went to the President of Cameroon, Mr. Paul Biya for granting permission for the visit and prayed the Father to shower His blessings on him, and also unite the entire citizenry in His love.

Generally, she assured that the entire land of Cameroon has been blessed through Her visit.

During the visit, other activities which featured include; launching for the first BCS Cathedral Foundation laying in Douala, launching for the Musical Cassette Presentation by COG Essien Ibin of the 144,000 Body entitled, "the CELESTIAL VOICES" sing song and many variety shows.

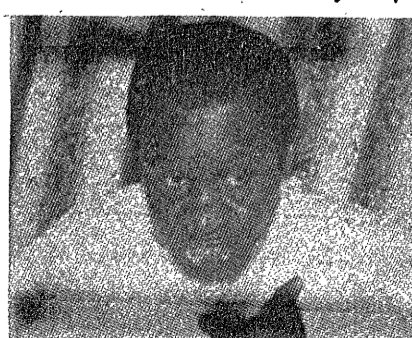
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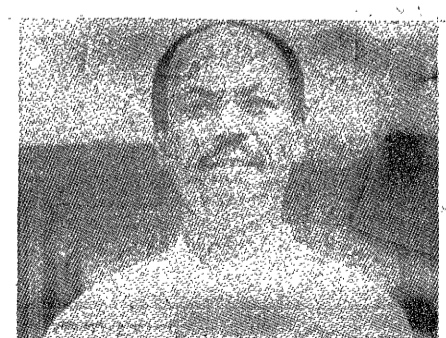
Bishop C. O. Akpan
Chaired the reception function



Bishop M. Ejedawe
Assured Cameroonians of enviable testimonies



Bishop A. O. E. Ekanem
Called for aggressive Evangelism



Bishop Okpala William
Spoke of Good conduct

NO ROOM FOR MISERS IN GOD'S KINGDOM

TEXT OF DISCOURSE

MATHEW 25:1- END

BETTER GIVE THAN RECEIVE:

Beloved brethren, read our text of discourse carefully to see if you can derive anything from it. It is important for those of you who idle about begging and condemning those who would not offer you anything. At times I just marvel at what makes you feel that you would be blessed by God when you are always at the receiving end; you have never cared to do anything to appreciate God's love for you, yet, you want blessings. Recall what our Lord Jesus Christ told his disciples about the rich, He said it is very difficult for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God. In the same vein if you do not change your attitude of never showing appreciation, you can never enter the Kingdom.

Read verses 31 and 32 of Mathew 25

None of you is interested in practising the teachings you receive here daily. All you do well is to wag your tongues and make claims. The presence of the teacher in your midst does not matter to you. If it does, you should have known that you are not supposed to talk, let alone ask questions. You were supposed to remain quiet practising the Gospels. but now, most of you come in here to make requests seeking promotion, good health, long life and other materials things. If you are always expecting for God to do everything for you without showing appreciation to Him, what is your hope for the future? What do you expect to reap at harvest time?

When you hear that you are saved by grace, you feel so relaxed and satisfied, and start causing trouble here and there, in the believe that you will be saved by grace. You do not ever bother doing anything for God. Let me inform you that your claim that "after all He is my Father there is no way He will fail to save me.", means nothing before God. Read Matthew 25:1-7.

Take note of that passage, for there is a hidden treasure therein. I know that you will not practice what is written in this passage, rather you will pretend to be insane. Do you think I do not know the reason behind your pretense? It is nothing, but your unwillingness to be practitioners of these teachings. The passage is very clear and straight forward.

There is no creation of God which is as crafty and cunning as man. When you fail to carry out a



Leader O.O.Obu
The Supernatural Teacher

responsibility, or fulfill a promise, you always have an excuse to give for your failure. I know you too well. Have you not been revealed now? Is that not what you are? In the kingdom of God, cunningness or craftiness is not entertained. Here, you are expected to do that which is right. Because whatever you sow is what you reap.

YOU WILL REAP WHAT YOU SOWED:

You came into the Brotherhood Of The Cross And Star with all sorts of problems; sickness, need for husband, wife, material, wealth, employment, accommodation and protection. You had nothing for God; no righteousness is found in you and you are not even ready to serve God diligently. All you care for is to receive from God. What then do you expect as your reward? No doubt, there are people who have brought what they have to render assistance to the less privileged ones, pay tithes,

embark on ministry works, visit the helpless ones, attend fellowship meetings, among other things, can you not emulate them? How do you expect their reward to be? Great, of course.

All those who go about spreading rumours are people who even hear the gospel of love being preached unto them daily, yet, do not practice same. They have but do not ever give out. Instead, they prefer to beg and when their requests are not granted, they grumble and make noise. You should ask yourself the number of people you helped. And stop complaining that "I came with ill health and up till this date, I have not been healed; I requested the Father of something and He has not given it to me; nobody likes me etc." Do you think these incessant complains are the works required of you? Since you came into this fold, how many sins have you forsaken? Of all the gospels preached, how many have

you practiced? Your pre-occupation is to condemn the fold.

THE FOOLISH VIRGINS:

What the Bible refers to as the five foolish virgins are those who are not prepared to resist sin and practice righteousness, those who refuse to carry out the works of God, indeed those who refuse to do anything. Those whose duty is just to castigate God. Now in BCS, most of you take delight in telling people that when Brotherhood manifested newly, love and power were conspicuously noticed but now that you need help, no one is ready to help you, in spite of your suffering. You tell people that hatred is now inherent in the fold and there is no love, upon all that the Father has preached. Considering your activities, are you not referring to yourself? In fact, are you not exposing your folly? If you want to erect a building, you are supported by this fold, in fact, given all the money by this fold. Later, you rent it out, inflating the rent; you sue people, cease people's property and then claim to be working for God.

Since Brotherhood is love, she does everything for you. If you want to celebrate a feast, money is given to you. Whatsoever financial assistance you require, Brotherhood comes to your aid. Is that the work of God? Have you not portrayed yourself as one of the five foolish virgins?

One important book that has been printed in this Kingdom is the "**FIRST STEP TO GOD**", **THE NEXT is the "SECOND STEP TO GOD"**. **ANYONE WHO CAN PRACTICE THE INJUNCTIONS THEREIN WOULD NOT BOTHER TO ASSOCIATE OR MINGLE HIMSELF WITH ALL OF YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT PRACTICING THE WORD OF GOD.** But no one has been able to practice the first step; because it demands that you refrain from all manner of sinfulness. And that is the pre-requisite for entry into God's kingdom.

You should realize now that you are greatly loved by God. Who amongst you has the right to tell a fellow man that if he works for him, he would be recompensed? What really can man do? It is only God who owns everything here. And all you have to do is to exhibit love. Are you not aware of the approaching judgment? In fact, we are now experiencing judgment.

The things that are done here, are they not the things Christ testified that would come to pass? Refer to

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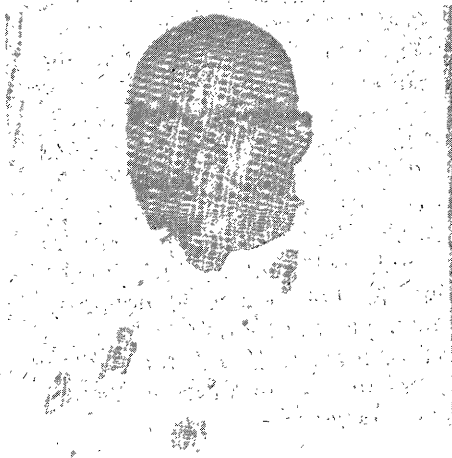
Anniversary

RECREATING TRUMPET FOR EFFECTIVENESS

Trumpet's fifth anniversary turned out to be a forum of evolving ways of re-activating the paper.

BY ETEKPI KANU

The fifth anniversary celebration of the New Kingdom Trumpet Newspaper held on Saturday, April 17, 1999 was simply a Birthday without the necessary "Birthday cake." The pomp, colour, Candour etc. that usually attend such celebration in years past were lacking. Moreso, rather than celebrate at the International Pentecostal Hall, as it used to be, and in the process give brethren the opportunity to share in the blessings, the Directors and Managers of the paper chose to quietly bring a select few to the Conference Hall, to seriously reflect on the prospects of the paper as well as evolve ways of reinventing it.



*Elder Jimmy Agbeyei
Chairman of the Occasion*

Trumpet started on a very ambitious note. It could be recalled that when the maiden edition was launched in April 1994, the Holy Father Leader O. O. Obu christened it Jesus Newspaper, saying that it would grow to become the only authority on ecclesiastical Journalism. He urged all and sundry to support the paper because, as he put it, doing so meant supporting evangelism. This pronouncement backed by His support and those of the Directors of the paper made its Managers to establish ambitious objectives, one of which was to conquer the world of ecclesiastical journalism in the shortest possible time. And through the style of presentation of the articles, the paper was heading towards that.

It is ironical, however, that in just five years, the paper which was to be used to recreate the world with the spoken word of the Father now need to be recreated if it must continue to live to its billing. What happened?

Why is the paper in such a dire strait? questions, questions.

By 1994, the global economy had become so bad that Newspapering, like other capital intensive ventures became very risky affair. The prices of basic production materials - ink, plate, film, newsprint had increased by over 500%. This, coupled with the paper's lack of effective capital base, lack of effective circulation network, lack of advertisements, and the poor reading culture of brethren soon began to affect the paper's fortune negatively.

The King of kings, His Holiness Roland O. Obu alluded to these problems when he spoke. He told the congregation that Trumpet needed their support to continue to be a veritable instrument for the propagation of our Father's teachings in the approaching millennium. He said the paper needed a strong financial base if it must make any meaningful progress, because its



*Pastor Ebenezer Isokrari
Chairman, BOD*

areas of needs are vast and varied and therefore urged those present to support the sustenance -fund raising which was organized to generate funds for the paper.

His Holiness saluted the effort of members of the Trumpet Readers Family in propagating the teachings of our Father, but urged them to do more. He equally commended the Directors and all other brethren who have taken the Trumpet business as their personal affair and prayed the Father to recompense them many fold.

Earlier, the Chairman of the occasion, Elder Jimmy Agbeyei had analysed the enormous task facing brethren in terms of propagating the teachings of our Father and concluded that most brethren do not seem to understand their assignment in the Kingdom. He revealed that the Father had completed His assignment, and that it was for brethren to take the message to the world because, according to him, "the



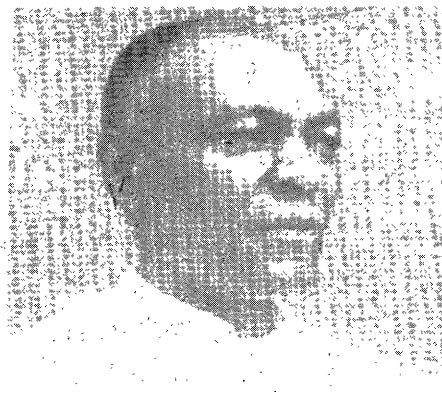
*Her Holiness, Queen I. O. Obu
Executive Director*

world is waiting to receive the teachings"

He described TRUMPET as the most potent instrument for the propagation of the teachings of the Holy Father and urged brethren, agents, members of TRF not to wait until the paper is published and sent to them before they could work. He said, they should become part of the daily operation of the paper to be able to know its problems and how to contribute to solving them. He revealed that an arrangement would be made for TRUMPET to diversify into some other revenue yielding ventures to enable it have a capital base.

Speaking in the same vein, the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, Pastor B. A. Otu described the "Trumpet" as the New world Bible in the making because it contains the truth as enunciated by the Lord of the New Age - Leader O. O. Obu. He was sure, he said, that at five the objectives of the paper is being vigorously pursued, because in this candid assessment, the Managers have done all that should be done.

He regretted, however, that the TRUMPET was still a monthly publication inspite of the good hands



*Pastor B. A. Otu
Trumpet should be bi weekly*



*His Holiness, Olumba O. Obu
Chief Executive Officer*

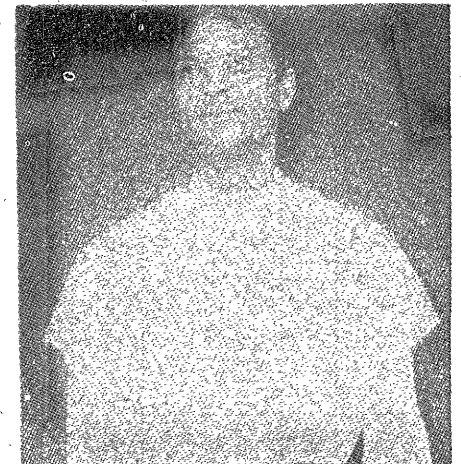
the Father has brought into the system, saying, he had thought that five the TRUMPET should have become a biweekly publication.

Pastor Otu revealed that why the TRUMPET could not meet its deadline of recent is due partly to the sudden break down of the machines in the Brotherhood Printing Press - printers of the TRUMPET - which is under his supervision and assured that something was being done to rectify the situation.

The need to improve the content of the paper to meet international standards was the focus of Apostle Paul Ugochukwu's speech. He said, though he had not attended any of the anniversaries before, he had, nevertheless, been making his impute quietly. He revealed that he had once done a critique on the paper for the editors to be guided appropriately and urged them (editors) to try to improve on the content of the paper for it to be accepted internationally.

As if acting in concert with Apostle Ugochukwu, members of the TRUMPET Reader's Family pledged during the sustenance fund raising, to donate a Colour Television and a

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*Apostle Paul Ugochukwu
Wants contents improved*

Reception

TRUMPET- APRIL, 1999

HONOUR TO WHOM IT'S DUE

As the 144,000 Virgins Body receive their Blessed Mother, Princess Onughen Obu.

By Etekpi Kanu
with Nsiong Ben

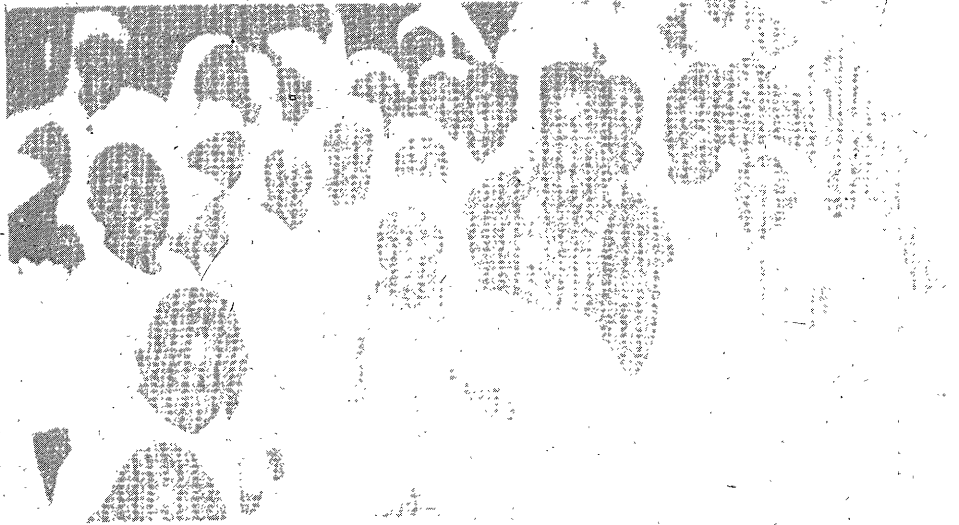
It was really a night to remember. From the elaborate arrangements made for the event, the colourful decorating of the venue, the calibre of people in attendance to the beautiful banners, posters on display everywhere, in the 34 Ambo World Headquarters premises, all spoke of the importance of the event. Of course, the event -the reception of Her Blessedness, Princess Onughen Obu was important, at least, to thank the Father for bringing her back from her sojourn in the "Land of opportunities" to contribute her quota to the growth of the kingdom. Also, it was thank the Father for the motherly way that she has been managing the affairs of members of the 144,000 Virgin Body.

Advancing reasons for the reception, the president of the 144,000 Virgin Body, Brother Saviour Ekong said that having watched with interest the way her Blessedness had been carrying out her activities in uplifting the glory of the Father they deemed it necessary to formally receive her in the World Headquarters, and in the process show appreciation to the Holy Father for the way she has been caring for them. He described her Blessedness as not just a mother but a friend, a sister and an adviser who has shown them so much love and exhibited much patience and honesty in her dealings with them. He therefore called on those present to join them

those present of the unique role of her Blessedness as Mother of the 144,000 Virgins and said that since she took over the leadership of the group love, peace, joy has been infused in the members. "Most members of the group who

Udoh, who represented the Holy Queen Mother expressed appreciation to the Holy Father for the grace that mankind was witnessing in this generation. He said what God needed most was humility, honesty,

festation. He described the assignment of the Blessed Mother as unique, saying that it was because of her mastery of the job that the Holy Father confirmed her as the Blessed Mother of the 144,000 Virgin Body in 1998. He thanked the Holy Father for initiating the reception which he said brought brethren from various places to fellowship together in love. He commended the effort of the organizers of the event and others who contributed to its success and prayed the Father to recompense them. His Holiness finally blessed the congregation while praying the Father to discharge them from all infirmities and problems. The colorful event featured, choral renditions,



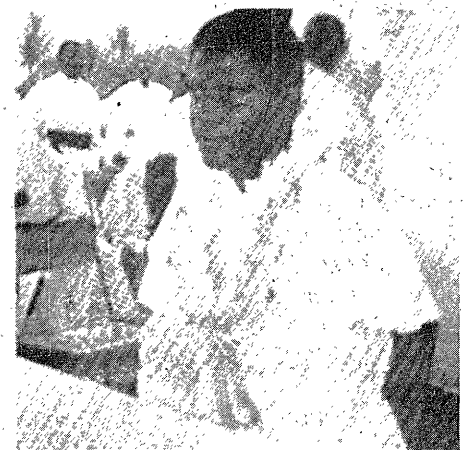
Her blessedness, Princess Onughen Obu and the King of Kings being heralded into the venue of the reception.

seemed to have missed their track are now being brought back and there is a greater awareness among them," the Apostle added.

The Apostle revealed that the occasion was so important that Princess Onughen Obu's Age Grade from Biakpan and the Ano Obu compound had to grace it. He encouraged those present to appreciate the Father in Princess Onughen with whatever their hearts directed. Of course, when it was time for presentation of gifts, gift of varied descriptions, were presented to her blessedness. In her contribution, Mother Esther R. Obu spoke of the tediousness in managing the Children having had an insight into what is involved and thanked the Father for appointing her to superintend over

forgiveness and asked all present to always strive to be diligent in their assignment, so that the Father would continue to use them to His glory.

Speaking before blessing the congregation, His Holiness Olumba O. Obu said this generation had been ordained to witness the incarnation of the God-Head and His heavenly family on earth; and encouraged brethren to always let the World understand that in the midst of trouble and discontent they are hopeful, cheerful and rejoicing knowing that what was said about this generation has come to mani-



Pastor Ubong J. Udoh Represented the Queen Mother

recitations, cutting of cake by the Guest of Honor and a novelty foot ball match, held the day before the event.

Thank You Father.

IN A LIGHTER MOOD

The word 'Smile' in the Advance Learner's Dictionary means pleased, happy expression on the face. Smiling usually call for a parting of the lips and loosening of the muscles of the face.

The other man by the way side simply says, it is the drawing backward of the cheek so that the teeth can be conspicuous. We may laugh at this but we can go by the former, for a funny face expression is required in the life of a man and not the showing of the teeth.

Smiling makes you whole, complete and assured in all spheres of life. It makes you shine our brightly as the sunlight as it is said, the children of God are the 'light' of the world on top of the hill.

Smiling makes your day wonderful and enjoyable. The slogan, "all is well" refrained daily has now become a cliché to many because we refuse to smile and see good and be in a lighter mood as our Father.

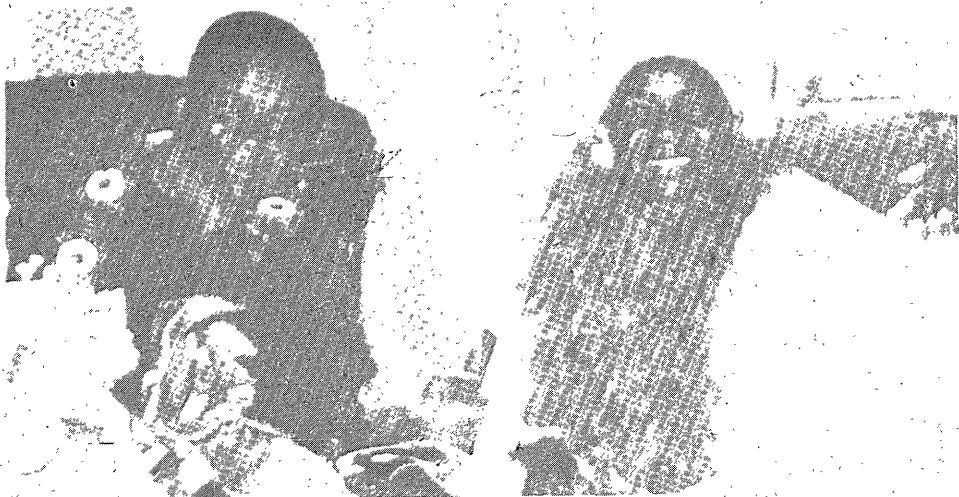
Undeified, but pure mind and chaste heart makes this smile come nice and easy. Superficially, smile makes icy heart throw out and melt like "butter-sizzling in the pan"

Did you never know that you are never fully dressed without a smile? Even if in rags and tatters, mere 'smile' can put you on top of the world. Smiling is good exercise too, try it and keep your face fit. When we wake up in the morning we need this smile and that greeting of 'peace of the Father'. We don't want that long face and pointing mouth and muffled greeting as if someone ate your liver in the night.

There is nothing we can desire but to be happy always and worry less, then, what smiles our Father will have for us if we have that clean heart, smiling face and being in the lighter mood.

Thank you Father.

COG 144,000 Virgin Chibuzo.



The king of Kings and her blessedness smiling at an event of interest during the reception

in appreciating the Father for appointing her to superintend over their affairs. In his opening remarks, the Chairman of the occasion, Apostle Paul Ugochukwu reminded

their affairs. She was grateful at the transformation that the children were undergoing and prayed that they should not have course to falter.

Also, speaking, Pastor Ubong. J.

THE HOLY SPIRIT: OUR SOURCE OF INSPIRATION



*The Lord in His Holy Temple
Let all the earth keep silence*

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 14:6
Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

SECOND LESSON: JOHN 16:13-15
Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth; for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine; therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you.

GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 13:34-35

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

A SERVANT CANNOT SERVE TWO MASTERS

Brethren, have you heard the texts? You who have formed the habit of coming here to make noise even while the gospel is going on, have you heard what the scriptures say? Those things you scramble for, money, cars, houses, women, cannot lead you to God. Your status in the society, stature, and even the songs you render here cannot lead you to God, nor would prayers do. What reveals God to you is a peaceful atmosphere; when you create a peaceful atmosphere around yourself, you are calm and humble, then God can get close to you. At that point, He speaks with you and tells you what you have to do. And if you abide by them, you receive your salvation. You have been told that one servant cannot serve two masters; a lot of you have been here in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star for forty years, but your forty years is fruitless. It has not availed you anything because the trouble you create around you makes it impossible for you to receive the word of God. You seek God in the moon, in the sun, in the high seas and in the Atlantis you seek Him through all the places, have you found Him? God is the Word, He is no other thing except the Word. We in Brotherhood understand this fact, which is why we are unique among other believers in the teachings of Christ. This is also the reason you have been told that Brotherhood is not a church, not a service centre, not a prayer house, nor a community, or nation. Brotherhood is not any of the things you try to conjecture. It is simply the Kingdom of God where righteousness is taught and practised. Many of you sing but as long as you do not concentrate, you cannot understand the meaning of the songs you render. So many of you offer

lengthy prayers in the hope that you will be connected to God without knowing that, in so doing you are cut off from what is relevant, you lost touch with reality and with God. This practice cannot afford you anything because you cannot pray very well.

GOD'S KINGDOM IS LIKE THE MUSTARD SEED

Also, when the gospel is being delivered, many of you engage in noise making, gossiping, you read books, and in the process you cannot hear what is preached let alone understanding it. And, because of this, you cannot experience God and cannot know Him.

Our Lord Jesus Christ did compare the Kingdom of God to the mustard seed which is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it falls down and germinates, it grows into a mighty tree, and spread its branches across the space, and all the birds of the air come and settle upon it and make their nests. Many of you are of the view that the Word of God is very difficult to practise, but have you even heard the word in the first place? We have one spiritual chorus which says: "take the whole world and give me Jesus." Now at the rate you just after the things of this world; money, cars, husbands, wives etc. can you really know God to be able to practise His teachings? If you remember what that woman said to our Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross, that blessed is the paps that gave thee such, blessed is the womb that delivered thee, and the response of our Lord Jesus Christ, then, you will come to a better understanding of what I am telling you.

Brethren, I have to give this as the first witness for this gospel, so that you will understand the great and unsurpassable power which is founded in what we are telling you, and equally know that your refusal to hearken to these teachings is the cause of your downfall.

1ST WITNESS: LUKE 11:27-28

And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, "Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast suckest. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

GOD'S ABODE

Have you heard what the scripture says? Of what use is it if you come here to testify for three hours without really making sense, without understanding where you are and what the teacher in your midst is teaching? Some of the interpreters even interpret what I say out of context. If they can do this what of those of you in the congregation who cannot hear nor comprehend what is said. Would you say you have realised your objective of coming here? The God you are seeking after is not found in the sky, is not even in

your bedroom, is not found along the road or in some strange places, God is found within you. It is on this note that when the Pharisees wanted to know from our Lord Jesus Christ about the coming of the kingdom of God and the form it would take, our Lord Jesus Christ told them that: "The Kingdom of God cometh not by observation, neither will men say lo here or lo, there for behold the Kingdom of God is within you."

Let the first lesson be read again.

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 14: 6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

JESUS CHRIST IS THE WAY

One of the spiritual choruses says Jesus is the way, the life and the truth. Invariably the words of God you are hearing is the way, the life and the truth. But if you hear the word and cannot practise it, you are just like the person who has not heard it before. This is why I keep asking you to always be attentive when you come here, because if you are not guided by the Word of God that I give daily, you cannot achieve anything. You can recall the case of the Ethiopian Eunuch, who was reading the scriptures from the book of Isaiah on his way from a ministry, riding on a chariot. He met with Philip who, after listening to what he was reading asked if he understood the scriptures. The Ethiopian Eunuch said that he did not understand, thereby Philip got on board, and showed him a lot of things, he explained and expatiated the scriptures to the Eunuch. And he listened attentively, assimilated those teachings and along the line he

accepted what Philip explained. As they continued, they came across a body of water and the Ethiopian Eunuch said to Philip: "behold, there is a body of water, what stops me from being immersed or what does it take to be baptized and Philip asked him if he believed in God? And whether he believed that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. The Ethiopian Eunuch said, "I do believe, baptise me," and Philip offered him a helping hand and they descended the chariot, went into the water and got baptized. After the Ethiopian Eunuch was baptized, they went their different ways.

Brethren, it is disheartening to note that rather than come here to hear the word of God, you have turned this place into a market place where you engage in worthless and meaningless activities, and the negative result of that you lack concentration and cannot understand what is preached to you which is important for your life. And these are the actions that make the people of the world to conclude that Brotherhood is not using the Holy Bible which they know. They say that Brotherhood is using some strange books to make references and that her gospel is impinged on the writings of those books which is strange to them. But I want you to understand that all these observations are made because people have refused to concentrate on the gospels that are preached to them, a result of which

they cannot know the wisdom of God that is embedded in them; and the importance of the gospels in their lives.

Let the second lesson be read.

SECOND LESSON: JOHN 16: 13 - 15

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth; for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak, He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine, therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you.

THE BIBLE IS THE REFERENCE POINT.

Brethren, have you heard the second lesson? Everything in this world, has its root in the Bible and this explains why our Lord Jesus Christ said that when he, the spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth, reveal everything unto you whatever he has spoken and that is what has happened. Now has that Holy Spirit not come, has He not taught you everything? This is why members of other churches always marvel at the depth of your wisdom and understanding of the scriptures, especially your ability to explain and expatiate the scriptures.

Brethren, the scriptures contain everything about the world its

operations, and the practices of man wherever his is found. That is why Andrew told his brother to come for, "behold I have seen the man of whom it was written about;" Why did he do that? He did that because he saw some signs that symbolises the manifestation of the person of our Lord Jesus Christ. On this note I want you to understand that the scriptures embody a lot of things about this life and the life to come. It contains information about the world and its operations, its people, their culture. On this note, you do not need to ask people questions, you do not have to draw fallacious conclusions, you do not have to be in a hurry, all you need do is to observe the signs so that no body will tell you that he is God, he is Christ, he is this or that.

If somebody comes to tell you he is God, do not believe him, if he tells you he is Jesus do not believe him. What you have to do is to search the scriptures and see in whom the signs have been fulfilled, whom the Bible has spoken of, which thing has been made manifest in his life. The Bible is the only reference point that will guide you properly. You should realise that what we are talking about has nothing to do with academic attainment, academic knowledge, it has nothing to do with the stature of a human being. It has to do with the spoken words, the prophecies as laid down in the scriptures.

Brethren, our Lord Jesus Christ had told His disciples, "I have yet many things to say unto you but ye cannot bear these things now but howbeit when he, the spirit of truth is come He shall guide you into all truth, for he shall not speak of

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Himself, whatsoever I have said unto you, that will he speak, He shall glorify me." That is what is happening today, you do not need the soothsayers to tell you what has happened because all the things our Lord Jesus Christ did say, all the things he had promised, all the things he had taught us, all the things he had envisaged of this time and prophesied about have been fulfilled. Before now, you never knew that it is sinful to quarrel, to fight, to steal, to commit fornication, to indulge in idolatry, and diabolism. You never knew that all these things were sinful, but today, it has so well been expatiated, explained and expanded to you and you have understood that the word of God is power, that in the word of God you find wisdom. If you take this gospel seriously and practise it, you will get the salvation you have been looking for and all problems on your way will be solved.

THE WORD IS THE PIVOT

There is one of our spiritual choruses which says the Holy Spirit is life and the source of life for all God's people, it is everything for every man. And this explains why you are told that, it is only with the Holy Spirit that you can be saved. The word of God is the pivot on which every other thing revolves. This is why I give it to you daily. You have problems because you down-play the importance of the word. You do not listen, you do not hear, you do not understand because you lack concentration. This is why you cannot experience peace and progress in your life. If you observe carefully you will understand that the teachings as contained in the Bible is given to you without adulteration, we do not use candles here, burn incense or use orchestral instruments for our worship. Nobody has ever been asked to go to a certain mountain so that one or two things could be done, you are not asked to carry wild and heavy beard and look like prehistoric man, you are not also told to offer sacrifices at some strange places. What is happening here is the word of God, which is given to you at all times.

Have I ever told you to go and build a house for God? Your urge, or lust for materialism cause you to derail from the path of rectitude. The way you yearn for the things of this world, the fornication you commit, the diabolical practices you indulge in, the fetish things, charms and amulets you gather for yourselves, are the causes of your problems. And that is why you are told to listen attentively to the gospel of God, concentrate on same and make the best use of the word of God. I have often told you that God dwells within the mind, He stays there. But some persons have always undertaken the assignments which they think is much more important, like building of cathedral. Of what use is a cathedral to God?

God does not need or dwells in any edifice built by man. He dwells in the mind. So, when you begin to disturb people that they should go on ministry work, celebrate feast, donate to charity etc. that is not the basic thing. The basic thing is to forsake sins and accept the word of God.

OUR 2ND WITNESS: JOHN 5: 30

I can of mine own self do nothing; as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not of mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

HEARKEN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Brethren have you heard that, you must at all times listen to the spirit of God, because if you listen and hearken to the Holy Spirit you will have no problems whatsoever. If you come in here and the spirit directs that you should donate N200.00 do exactly that. However, why you all will fail is that when you examine yourself; your personality, stature, and position in the society, you feel you should go beyond bound, you feel you should maintain your status quo. By thinking along this line, you bring flesh into reckoning, and you denigrate the spirit which is God. I want you to understand that as far as the spirit is concerned, His decision, and instruction lead to eternal life. You all have heard about David, one of the kings of Israel, who having realised the power God endowed him, decided to build a cathedral for God as an appreciation. He had assembled the materials to put up the cathedral, and God instructed him against it, that he should not do it because his hands were filled with blood. God asked David to allow His son, Solomon to erect the cathedral and he obeyed.

I always laugh when you claim to have done anything in this Kingdom because you cannot do anything on your volition. It is the spirit that directs everything in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. It is because of the importance of the Word of God which is the Spirit and the importance of the instructions that are given by the Spirit, that whenever you come here, I expound to you what the Holy Spirit directs; His norms, His practices, the standard that must be kept, I tell you all things always but you always draw conclusions. Some of you would say today's gospel is for me. Another man would say, today's preaching is for me, and you keep claiming that the gospel is for you. It is true that it is for all of you, but have you ever made attempt to practice the teachings. I do not want anything from you apart from listening to my teachings and practicing same. This is because your salvation lies in it. But when you act otherwise, you have yourself to blame. The golden text should be read: